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**“Using Focused Freewriting to Stimulate Ideas and Foster
Critical Thinking During Prewriting”**

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Abstract: This paper describes how the technique of focused freewriting and follow up discussions can be used to help ESOL students to think critically about a topic and to generate ideas to support their arguments in a composition course. By implementing the focused freewriting technique, composition teachers can help students to generate ideas and facilitate their efforts at organising their arguments before writing academic essays.

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