

Rate Yourself (1-5):

(no wrong answers here...I have never met anyone who has aced this whole list with any of their lessons)

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_____My writing assignments aim my student writers to *deeply* think (through talk and modeling) about just one or two traits or skills.

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Rank Yourself (1-7):

(give a one to your best skill from this list, a seven to the one that you could work on the most)

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