

NoRedInk Pathways Recommended for Research Papers

Check the list below for NRI pathways we think would be most helpful for students learning to write research papers. Check out our Argumentative and Expository guides for more recommendations!

Writing Concepts Pathways

Pathway	Part	Will support students with...
Thesis Statements	Parts 2 and 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using concise, clear, and specific language
Body Paragraphs: Claims, Evidence, and Reasoning	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using and explaining evidence
Body Paragraphs: Embedding Evidence	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using and explaining strong evidence• providing strong source information and reporting verbs for evidence• paraphrasing evidence without plagiarizing• knowing when a sentence needs a citation and using the rules of MLA citation• adjusting pronouns and verb tenses in direct quotations to maintain parallelism
Body Paragraphs: Transition Words and Phrases	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using transition words and phrases to effectively link ideas

Grammar & Conventions Pathways

Pathway	Will support students with...
Active and Passive Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using active voice to make writing more direct and clear• building sentences with varied structures to change emphasis
Appositive Phrases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using appositives to explain ideas, define topic-specific terms, or provide source information
Building Compound and Complex Sentences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• building sentences with varied structures
Commas for Clarity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• using commas to make writing clear• using commas with introductory phrases, parenthetical phrases, and coordinate adjectives
Lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• knowing when to use a colon to introduce a list• using commas correctly with items in a series
MLA Citation I	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• implementing the rules of MLA for in-text citations
Misplaced and Dangling Modifiers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• placing modifiers correctly
Parallel Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• maintaining parallelism to help writing flow



Note: We recommend consulting our grade-level filters to determine whether the content of each pathway is appropriately challenging for your students. To do so, from your NRI account, go to “Curriculum” and click “Grades & Standards.”