

## Writing an Explanation

**Introduction:** *State your main idea about your topic: showing courage*

**Development:** *Support your main idea with relevant evidence, facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, information, and examples.*

**Conclusion:** *End by briefly restating the main idea and the most important evidence for the main idea.*

**Revising/Proofreading:**

- Reread your writing to see if you have explained things in order and by giving related details and examples.
- Check to make sure you have linked ideas with words such as *another, for example, also, especially*.
- Check to make sure you have used precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to explain your main idea.
- Check and correct your spelling, punctuation, and capitalization to make sure your reader will understand your explanation.

