

BEST STEPS TO BESTEP

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Course Length: 6 classes, 1.5 hour each

Course Objective: By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Students will be able to analyze and respond in writing to a variety of visual texts, including graphs, charts, diagrams, figures, maps, tables, infographics, posters, and flyers.
- Students will be able to plan and write a well-structured four- to five-paragraph argumentative essay.
- Students will be able to plan and write a well-structured four- to five-paragraph comparative essay.
- Students will be able to complete BESTEP Writing Tasks 1–3 by producing clear, coherent responses that meet the test’s content, organization, and language expectations.

Week 1: How to be a Data Scientist (Part 1)	Students will learn how to analyze and respond in writing to a variety of visual texts, including graphs, charts, diagrams, figures, maps, tables, infographics, posters, and flyers.
Week 2: How to be a Data Scientist (Part 2)	Students will learn how to analyze and respond in writing to a variety of visual texts, including graphs, charts, diagrams, figures, maps, tables, infographics, posters, and flyers.
Week 3: How to Argue With Your Pencil	Students will learn how to plan and write a well-structured four- to five-paragraph argumentative essay.
Week 4: Compare, Contrast, and Conquer	Students will learn how to plan and write a well-structured four- to five-paragraph comparative essay.
Week 5: BESTEP Writing Practice Test	Students will take a BESTEP Writing Practice Test.
Week 6: Review, Revise, and Rewrite	Students will receive feedback and revise their BESTEP Writing Practice Test.