

College Writing Prompt:

Part 3 of How to Become a Straight - A Student, provides the reader with detailed information about successfully completing essays and papers. One central theme in the movie *Dead Poets Society* involves the courage to find your own voice and make it heard. Writing is an extension of your voice. Becoming a powerful writer is the key to begin heard by all audiences. In the film, Professor Keating shares this passionate speech with his students:

“I stand upon my desk to remind myself that we must constantly look at things a different way. The world looks very different up here . . . Just when you think you think you know something you have to look at it in another way . . . When you read, don’t just consider what the author thinks, you must consider what you think.”

In your 1,000 word essay, synthesize the themes from the movie, Part 3 of your reading, and this quote in order to express your own view on the power of becoming a strong writer. Use specific reasons and examples from the text and the film to support your position.

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