Teaching Tips for Genre-Based Writing Assignments

1. **Provide Exemplars:** Give them examples to read and discuss.

2. **Model the Genre:** Make the elements of the genre explicit by breaking it down.

3. **Guided Group Practice:** Have the students analyze the genre together in a guided assignment so that they can make sense of it.

4. **Independent Practice:** Have the students independently work on drafting part or all of the genre.

5. **Demonstrate Learning:** Through a process-oriented and scaffolded approach, have the students produce a complete writing sample.