

Conferencing Tips

When you are conferencing with a classmate you need to remember that the writer has selected you as someone who can **help him or her with a piece of writing**. While writers want to hear about the positive features of their writing, they also want to hear your ideas about how they can improve their text.

Read the text sample below and give feedback and advice to the writer. Read the text very critically and ask yourself: Do I really understand everything? Maybe some of the ideas are not expressed clearly enough to be understood. In your feedback point out

- what went well and what you like about the text
- where you have problems understanding the text
- whether the text is interesting for you and what could be done to make it more interesting
- mark any language errors you come across
- suggest stylistic improvements if necessary

Student sample text: 1st draft

NEW GAME-CUBE GAME

Game-cube Spider-Man is a very exciting game. Of course you are Spider-Man. You can make many combos. In the first four levels you don't throw the real Spider-Man costume, you have it in the fifth level. If you want to swing or do anything else with your Spider webs you need Spider cartridges.

Here are two cheats for Spider-Man Organic webbing: You have infinite Spider cartridges.

Koala: All combos are free.

If you would like to try the game before buying it, ask Karl. He can organize a games afternoon at his house.

Write your feedback in the box below. If you need more space use the back of the sheet.

Dear