



### The Four Types of Essays

1. **The Expository Essay** (explanation) - describes or explains a topic. For example, an essay entitled "The Care and Maintenance of a Bicycle" would be an expository essay
2. **The Narrative Essay** (recounting) - uses a single well told story as the basis for drawing a conclusion or making a statement of opinion. For example "My Most Exciting Bicycle Adventure" would be a narrative essay.
3. **The Argumentative Essay** presents a reasoned series of arguments in support of a position. For example, an essay entitled "Cars or Scooters: Which is the Most Effective Method of Transportation?" would be an argumentative essay.
4. **The Persuasive Essay** combines reasoned arguments with the emotion required to persuade the reader to take action. For example, an essay entitled "Save the Ozone and Stimulate your Heart: Leave Your Car at Home and Bicycle" would be a persuasive essay.