

## **Admit Slips**

Focus: Response, Writing

Admit Slips are brief comments written by students on index cards or half-sheets of paper at the very beginning of class. The written responses should be collected as tickets of admission to class. The purpose of the admit slip is to have students react to what they are studying or to what's happening in class. Students are asked to respond to questions such as

What's confusing you about \_\_\_\_\_?

What problems did you have with your text assignment?

What would you like to get off your chest?

What do you like (dislike) about \_\_\_\_\_?

The admit slips are collected by the teacher and read aloud (with no indication of the authorship of individual comments) as a way of beginning class discussion. Admit slips build a trusting relationship between teacher and students and contribute to a sense of community in the classroom.