

Stage: Getting the Assignment

Task	Thoughts	Feelings	Actions	Strategies
To prepare for the decision of selecting a topic	Contemplating assignment Comprehending task Relating prior experience and learning Considering possible topics	Apprehension at work ahead Uncertainty	Talking with others Browsing library collection to spark ideas	Brainstorming Discussing Contemplating possible topics Tolerating uncertainty

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