

How To Use OWL Video Transcript

Narrator:

Welcome to the Excelsior College Online Writing Lab.

This short video will show you how to navigate and use the features of the Excelsior College Online Writing Lab website.

First, let's look at the home page and learning areas.

If you're watching this video, you've mostly seen the OWL home page. From here, you can access all of the learning areas, as well as 'Additional Resources', found in the header, and 'Acknowledgements', found in the footer.

Each Learning area has its own landing page, with access to the content, as well as the 'How to Use OWL' and 'Additional Resources' pages. Depending on the learning area, there may be additional options available on the landing page.

Page Navigation

Once inside a learning area, you will see the online writing lab menu on the left side of the screen. The active learning area is highlighted, at which point all of the topics for that learning area are displayed below it. Some of the topics have multiple sections and you can get to any one of them by clicking on its link. Also, you may navigate by using the previous and next buttons located below the menu.

Some of the pages contain presentations such as this one that offer both a PDF that can be opened and downloaded, as well as a slide-show which contains its own 'previous' and 'next' buttons.

Quizzes

The Online Writing Lab contains quizzes to help measure your learning progress. Types of quizzes range from 'Word Select' to 'Multiple Choice' to placing correct punctuation in a sentence or paragraph. Just follow the instructions provided for each quiz.

Best of Luck as you use the online writing lab.