WRIT 1506

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**Kinds of Things to Know How to Do for the Exams**

* **Identify who said/thought/represents what**   
  Examples:
  + what you know about orality is what *Ong* has said in *Orality and Literacy*;
  + what Plato is quoted as saying in Ong’s book is not necessarily what *Ong* believes;
  + In Ong’s book, the Thirty-Eight-Year-Old Wheat Farmer represents the “pristine human consciousness” that we literates have lost
* **Explain transformative terms and statements**Examples: "orality," or the “*formulaic* constitution of thought” in oral poetry)
* **Remember components of important ideas and how they relate***"W" is made up of "X," "Y," and "Z."*

For example, orality is composed of nine psychodynamics, according to Ong, which are…

* **Distinguish key distinctions**   
  *"This vs. That"*

For example, "society" as opposed to "culture"

* **Make connections and elaborate narratives or relationships***"This goes with that," or "this leads to that" or "this is like that"*

For example, when Ong says, "You know what you can recall," he suggests a cause-and-effect relationship of knowledge and the technologies of memory