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Dear Colleagues,

In a writing class I write letters to my students on a regular basis as part of an attempt to instal a "writing culture" in the group. This is much easier today, ^{than 10 years ago} since people anyway spend hours texting and e-mailing. Have you tried writing to your classes? How do you go about fostering a writing climate in your class?

Central to good writing are the following ideas :- your contact with your reader
- your ability to let go and be creative
- your language flexibility

This morning we will do some exercises under these three headings.

Warmly yours,

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