The writing method Writing Relay is particularly suitable as a start for a synchronous meeting. The students are given the opportunity to concretise, expand or formulate a thought or a rough idea in a short time. The focus is on finding a thought and getting to the point in 15 minutes.

The aim of this writing method:
Students concretise a thought in a very short time - in other words, they think it further on paper. The formulation of a hypothesis or a question for an essay can be the result.

Assignment for the students:
As a teacher, you guide the writing relay in detail and check the time.

Illustration:

1. Within the next five minutes, produce a focused freewrite on your topic.
2. Summarise your writing in one sentence.
3. Use this sentence as the title for another five-minute freewrite.
4. Summarise what you have written in one sentence.
5. Use this sentence as a title for another five-minute freewrite.
6. Finally, summarise the whole writing relay in one sentence.
Complementary assignment after the deadline:

- What topics have come to light in the writing relay?
- Which questions would you like to discuss/Which questions would you like to continue working on?
- Get together in small groups of two up to four students and exchange ideas.

Further procedure in online teaching:
A discussion of the content that was particularly important for the students should now follow. You can continue the discussion synchronously in a chat or a video/audio conference or you can move the discussion to a forum, wiki or etherpad to continue it asynchronously.

References: