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SPECIAL TOPIC: College App/Scholarship Essay

- Be ready for your conference with a substantive piece of writing.
- Bring three/four copies so there is one for each group member.
- Fill out this sheet in advance to best prepare for working with others.
- Be willing to be receptive to constructive criticism. This is how we grow as writers.

Pre-Conference Questions

1. What prompt are you writing toward? (Provide it to your WRITE CLUB group)
2. Who are your readers? How did your awareness of them influence the way you wrote this draft. Be specific.
3. List the people/locations/steps/details/themes in your essay. Be prepared to talk about which ones are most vividly presented and which may need further detailing or less.
4. Explain briefly how you organized the telling about your topic. What other possibilities could you consider for beginning, ending, and organizing the essay?
5. What, if anything, has writing this draft led you to discover about yourself? **What does it say about YOU?**
6. What are you most pleased with in this draft? Be specific.
7. What specifically do you need to do next to revise this draft? List any problems you see and how you might attempt to solve them.
8. **How does this paper reflect YOU outside of the classroom? (Be sure it ISN'T a "laundry list" of your accomplishments, instead "zeroes-in" on a particular experience or reflection).**

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