



Organizing Your Report

Introduction: What's it all about????

What you're reading, writing, or talking about is your _____.

For this project, your _____ is your *family history*.

The **first and most important sentence** in any writing is your topic sentence. The **topic sentence** tells your _____ and what you will say about your _____.

Choose the best word to describe your topic, family history. DO NOT use meaningless words like "good," "nice," or "bad." In 1 word, how does hearing about your family history make you FEEL? _____



Now create your topic sentence:

The history of the _____ family is _____.

Copy your topic sentence into the graphic organizer, "I. Introduction," at the bottom of this page.

Next, choose one BIG, interesting idea that the adult you interviewed shared in the first set of questions, "Before Coming to the U.S." (or "Early Years?") Write a sentence about that idea here: _____

Copy the sentence as "Big Idea 1" in the "I. Introduction" organizer below.

What is the BIGgest, most surprising idea your adult talked about in the second set of questions, "Arriving in the U.S." (or "Starting Out?") Write a sentence telling it: _____ Copy it in the organizer as Big Idea 2.

What is the BIGgest, most amazing idea you heard during the last set of questions, "Life in the U.S." (or "Today and Tomorrow?") Write it here: _____ Copy it in the organizer as Big Idea 3.

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topic sentence: _____.

Big Idea 1: _____.

Big Idea 2: _____.

Big Idea 3: _____.