



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 **BIG**gest, 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 **BIG**gest, 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.

I. Introduction

topic sentence: _____.

Big Idea 1: _____.

Big Idea 2: _____.

Big Idea 3: _____.