MGI Preface Outline

Part 1: Introduce your overarching question and what your entire project will generally include. Example: a short story, a children’s book, a fake talk show, a PowerPoint, Sway, etc.

Part 2: How did you become interested in your topic? How has this topic impacted your life so far? Include a personal story, if you have one, and any prior knowledge about your topic.

Part 3: Why will this research topic matter to you and your audience? What do you hope to find out that is worth knowing?

**Grading Criteria:**

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| Score | Grade Equivalent | Description |
| 6 | 98 (or higher) | Highly organized; personal evidence is thoroughly elaborated; vocabulary is precise and vivid; sentences are creative and varied; grammatical errors are few to none. |
| 5 | 93 | Very organized, evidence has some elaboration; vocabulary is precise; sentences are varied; grammatical errors are few to none. |
| 4 | 87 | Adequately organized; personal evidence is mainly retold, not elaborated; vocabulary is plain; sentences are plain; some grammatical errors are present. |
| 3 | 82 | Somewhat disorganized; personal evidence is only retold; vocabulary is too simple; sentences are too simple; several grammatical errors are present. |
| 2 | 72 | Very disorganized; personal evidence is incomplete or missing; vocabulary is too simple; sentences are too simple; several grammatical errors are present. |
| 1 | 60 | Not enough writing to evaluate. |