

# Reflection

**Purpose:** To reflect upon the universal relevance of one's experience.

**Organization:** Three Levels

The experience or the article

The reaction or personal significance

The universal significance of the experience or article

Chronological

Logical

Interweaving

**Style elements:** Descriptive techniques

Character

Setting

Narrative commentary

Reaction and commentary

Dialogue

Shifts in point of view

Relationship with audience

**Caution:** Avoid thinking of reflecting as synonymous with simply "thinking back on" or "reacting personally to an experience." Instead, you must derive from and describe some form of universal meaning from the experience, in order to teach the reader a life lesson.