

College Essay Brainstorm Sheet

The purpose of this essay is to create a composition that reflects who you are: what you are passionate about, what you value in life, or what you value in yourself. Below are some questions that may aid you in making a decision about the topic you will choose for this important part of your application.

- 1) What do you feel passionate about?

- 2) List the reasons that you have a passion for this:

- 3) List 4 WONDERFUL characteristics about yourself; I am...

- 4) What do you value most in life? (Family, Friends, Education, etc..)

5) Now, think of a moment in your life that would exemplify one or more of the values and characteristics you listed above. Use the prompts below to help.

A. Tell me a story (an event) about when your passion was on display.

B. Tell me about a moment (an event) when one of your wonderful characteristics was on display.

C. Describe a moment when one of your values was best seen.