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**Pre-reading questions.** Think about these questions before reading

1. Preview the passage. What do you think it is about?
2. What do you already know about this topic?
3. What strategies could you use as you read the passage to help you understand what you are reading?

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THE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTION ARE TO BE WRITTEN

**INTRODUCTION:** GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING: STAND BACK AND LOOK AT THE OVERALL TEXT

1. The paper writer should identify the topic and explain why it is important. (This is your introduction)

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**BODY PART I: PERSONAL REFLECTION: PUT YOURSELF IN THE TEXT**

2. What is one of the main points of the article, support it with your ideas (avoid "I" statements in your writing assessment)

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**BODY PART II: DEVELOPING INTERPRETATION: STEP BACK AND ANALYZE THE DETAILS**

3. WHAT ARE SOME OTHER IMPORTANT POINTS OF THIS SUBJECT **AND/OR** WHAT CONCLUSIONS CAN YOU DRAW FROM THE PASSAGE (make sure you support as well)? (No "I" statements; define the subject in broad terms)

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**CONCLUSION: CRITICAL STANCE**

4. WHY IS THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE SIGNIFICANT TO YOU AND IN A BROADER SENSE TO OTHERS? This is your conclusion. What is the overall importance of the subject to posterity?

*The conclusion should strive to answer questions that readers will raise: "Why is the writer telling me this?" "Why does the writer think that I need to understand his/her main point?"*