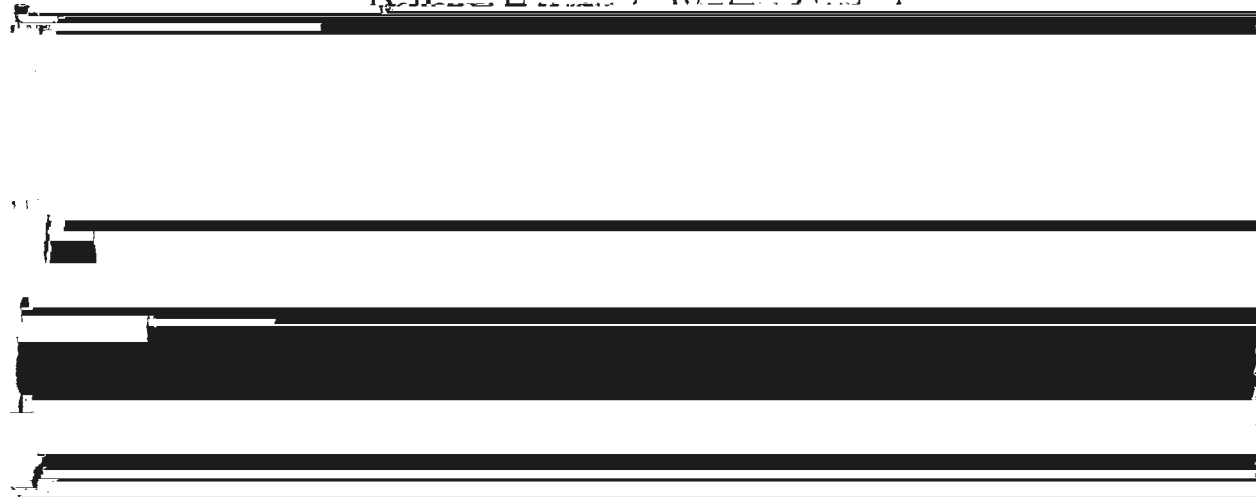


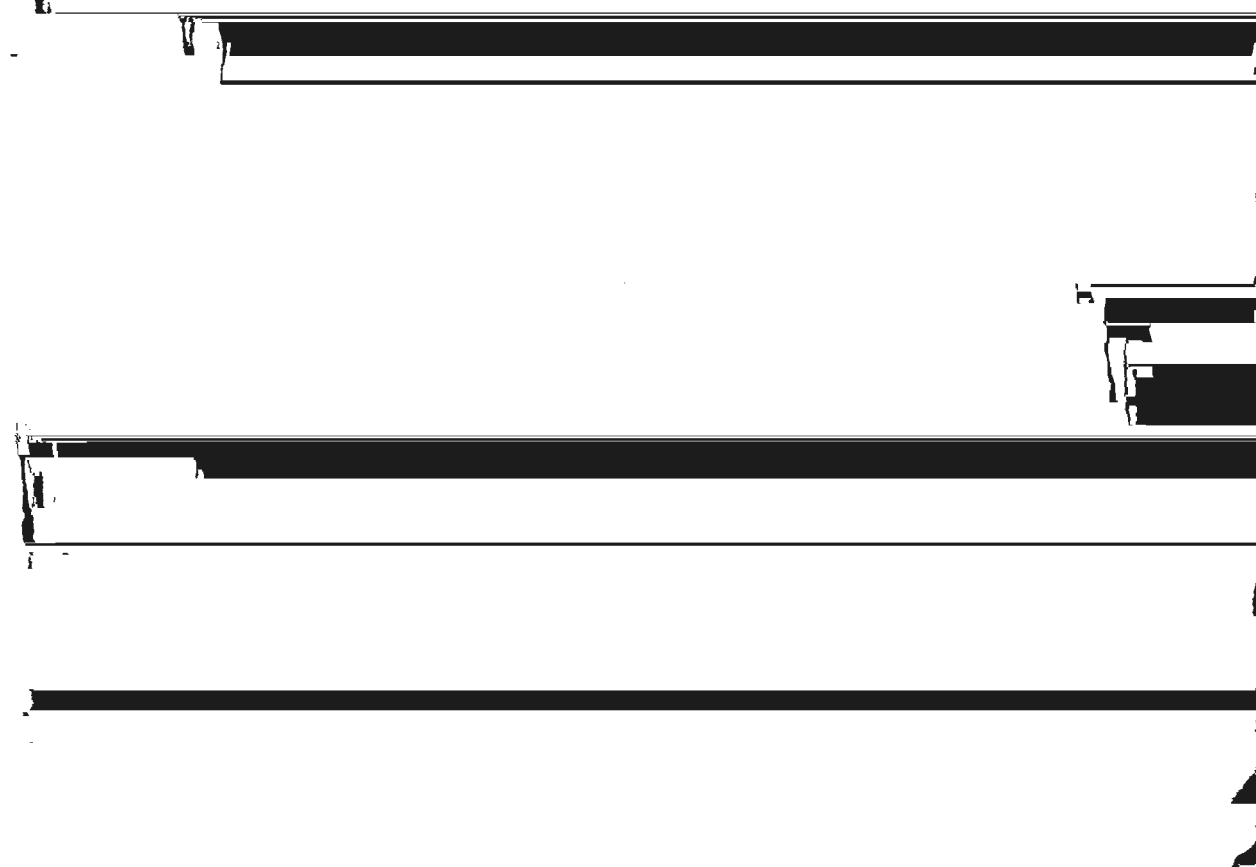
# The Writing Process

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Facing a blank white page and desperately trying to figure out “what the teacher wants” or “what I have to do to get an A” is indeed paralyzing. Such thinking wastes time and leads to more unnecessary stress.

Concentrate less on the grade and the person giving it and more on the fact that you are intelligent and have something to say. Remember, too, that writing is an on-going process of ~~trial and error, refinement, and sweet successes.~~ While this idea seems idealistic, there is some



## II. DRAFTING

A. Draft I. Before you begin, write at the top of the page these facts: your audience, your purpose, your deadline, and the required length of your essay. Get the words

and ideas down on the page. Don't worry about phrasing or punctuation or spelling –

for right. Whether using a keyboard or a double space and leave 11