

Profile Workshop

1. What is the author's subject? What makes this subject interesting?
2. What is the author's angle? Or, another way to think about it is, what is the author focusing on in regards to their subject? When they talk about their subject, what are you most interested in?
3. What does the author do to include first-hand research (observation, interview, etc)? Do you get a good sense of the subject based on their first-hand experience?
4. Be honest here: Are there any spots where you get bored in the essay? For instance, are there spots where there is too much description or biographical information? Mark these spots with a * in the margins. What could the author do here to make it more interesting to the reader?
5. After you finish the essay, is there any information, facts, details, or stories you would still like to know about the subject? Write down any ideas you have for extra info that the author might be able to expand upon.