

We'll continue our discussion of Quindlen's article using the article-response process:

- 1) Quickly read the article to get a sense of what it's about.
- 2) If there are questions about the article that you need to answer, read them so that you can keep them in mind as you do your detailed read.
- 3) Read the article in detail, summarizing the main idea of each paragraph. Note important reactions so that you can use them in your brainstorming.
- 4) Write a brief statement of what you think the main idea of the article is.
- 5) Brainstorm your own ideas and possible responses.
- 6) Briefly outline or free-write your essay:

Title

¶1 Exposition + Thesis

¶2 Topic Sentence (TS) + Primary Support (PS) + Secondary Support (SS) + SS . . . + PS + SS + . . . + Transition Sentence (TrS)

¶3 TS + PS + SS + SS + . . . + PS + SS . . . TrS

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¶n-1 TS + PS + SS + SS + . . . + PS + SS . . . TrS

¶n Concluding paragraph in which you present the main idea and conclude with a significant observation

- 7) Write your paper
- 8) Rewrite your paper