Purpose	**Explanation**
Express and Reflect	The writer… …expresses or reflects on his or her own life and experiences. …often looks backward in order to look forward.
Inform and Explain	The writer… …states a main point and purpose. …tries to present the information in a surprising way. ... explains how to do something.
Evaluate and Judge	The writer… …focuses on the worth of a person, object, idea, or other phenomenon. …usually specifies the criteria to the object being seen as "good" or "bad."
Inquire and Explore	The writer… …wrestles with a question or problem …hooks with the problem and lets the reader watch them wrestle with it.
Analyze and Interpret	The writer… …seeks to analyze and interpret phenomena that are difficult to understand or explain.
Argue and Support	The writer… ...crafts a compelling, debatable, defensible, and nuanced claim on a subject. ...identifies compelling evidence from reliable sources to support the claim. ...connects the evidence to the claim.

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One topic:

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Purpose	Possible Writing Topics
Express and Reflect	
Inform and Explain	
Evaluate and Judge	
Inquire and Explore	
Analyze and Interpret	
Argue and Support	

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