

Unit Assignment: Write one or more paragraphs about a common fear.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Writer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Peer Editor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Circle the topic sentence of the first paragraph. Do you agree that the fear is common? Write a comment below.

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2. How many reasons tell why people have the fear? What comments or questions do you have about the type of people who have the fear? Write them below.

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3. How does the writer introduce ways to avoid the fear? Does he or she start a new supporting sentence in the same paragraph, or start a new paragraph? Do you agree that it helps the organization? Can you suggest any other things people can do to avoid the fear?

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4. Underline an example of *however* and check the form, or suggest a way to use *however*. For example, could the writer use *however* to contrast people's beliefs with facts from the readings?

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5. Underline examples of comparative adjectives. Write corrections or suggestions if you see any mistakes in form or spelling. Can you suggest other places where comparative adjectives will make the writing clearer?

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6. Circle the conclusion at the end of the last paragraph. Did the writer's feelings about the common fear change as a result of the writing assignment? Explain how, or write a question that might help the writer revise.

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