

**ELD 4A**  
November 5<sup>th</sup>

## *Determining an Identity*

- I can analyze a writing prompt to fully understand the language, topic, and audience.

# Table of Contents (T.O.C.)

In your T.O.C.,

- Write in today's date: **Nov. 4, 2014 (11/4/14)**
- Write in today's topic:  
**Essay Prompt**
- Page #: **make your T.O.C. and notebook match**

  
Write this  
title in N.B.

## Warm-up: Quick Write

- Using your notes and the work we've been doing the last week in class, write a paragraph describing your academic identity.
- Use the words from your adjective word bank (the one with the antonyms).

*What is your*  
*Academic Identity?*

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# T.A.K.

In your notebooks, analyze the prompt and identify the:

- **Topic**
- **Audience**
- **Keywords\***

\*what important words let you know what you will need to include in your writing

# Moving Forward

**As we move forward in this unit, we will be reading texts, watching videos, and having discussions. Keep in mind the argumentative essay you will have to write. The notes you take can be helpful when you begin writing your essay.**

# Video

We will be watching a short video that is made up of many short clips of Will Smith interviews. Pay attention and be ready to answer the following questions:

- 1. What is the difference between talent and skill?**
- 2. Will Smith says he isn't talented, how does he say he became so successful?**
- 3. What is the thing that is special about Will Smith?**

# Video

Take a few minutes and answer these questions in your notebook. Do this independently for now, and we'll share with partners in a few minutes.

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3. **What is the thing that is special about Will Smith?**