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## **PART ONE**

### Directions Sheet

The goal of Part One of your I-search is for you to establish what knowledge you already have about your topic before doing any research. Part One of your I-Search will be three paragraphs in length and contain why you picked your topic, everything you know about your topic, and a series of educated inferences (guesses) about your topic and why you made these inferences.

- **Paragraph One:** Write a paragraph explaining what your topic is for the I-Search paper and why you chose your topic. Also include in this paragraph who is in your group and what are the topics of your group members.
- **Paragraph Two:** Write a paragraph about everything you know about your topic (this could be a short or long paragraph depending on your prior knowledge)
- **Paragraph Three:** Make three inferences (guesses) about your topic and explain why you made these inferences.

Some students may know very little about their topic, while others may know a great deal. If you know nothing or very little about your topic, use an encyclopedia (either in the library or online) to get some basic information to help you write your second and third paragraphs.