In the Know

Informative writing (W.4.2; W.5.2)

Complete the organizer.

Introduce the Topic

Introduce your main idea.

Grab your reader's attention with an interesting fact, question, or quote about your topic.

Develop the Topic

List facts that support your main idea.

List concrete details that explain your facts.

List vocabulary terms and definitions that are used to discuss your topic.

List and sketch things that will make good diagrams or illustrations.

Write a Conclusion

Restate your main idea but say it differently.

Close with an interesting fact, question, or quote about your topic.

Note to the teacher: Have each student use a copy of the organizer to plan and then write a two-page informative essay.