3. Write a response to one of the following suggested writing questions as it relates to your theme.

Suggested writing questions for each theme

- **Motivation** What are the most important motivations these authors have for writing about their experiences of coming to the United States from another country?
- **Identity** In what ways did coming to the United States from another country shape the way these authors think of their identities?
- **Influences** What were the most important influences on their own writing that these authors shared?
- **Meaning of “American”** How did these authors describe how they define being “American” and how they see themselves in relationship to that idea?
INSTRUCTIONS

1. Watch four to six video clips of authors addressing a theme of your choosing (Motivation, Identity, Influences, “Meaning of American”) and record your reactions below.

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2. Pair up with students who share your chosen/assigned theme and share reactions and insights you are interested in writing about.

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