

II. You will now work in groups of three to produce a collaborative piece of non-academic writing – a writing artifact. You may choose from one of the following options:

- A thank-you to your parent’s close friends
- A personal ad for facebook.com or myspace.com
- A letter of complaint to an airline
- A one-paragraph review for a community newsletter
- A letter to a high school friend who is now far away
- An email to your parents telling them you wrecked your car
- A cover letter for a job application
- A short article for the high school newspaper

Keep in mind:

- Be sure that your artifact is representative of the **genre**. Is this a letter you would *actually* send? An article you would write?
- Keep the piece short enough to be copied onto one transparency
- Choose someone from your group to read your artifact to the class
- Be prepared to discuss the **writing features** of your artifact (just as you did on the reverse side of this worksheet)