

Writing Activity: Reflecting on *Times of Change*

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In “A Piece of My Heart” Anne Simon Auger says she “built up walls” to cope with the horrors she witnessed in Vietnam. Using the information in this book and what you might discover from other sources, discuss in an essay or speech why “walls” might be necessary.

Use the graphic organizer on the following screens to help you organize important information in your essay.

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Directions: Synthesize your information into an argumentative essay. Fill in the blank with your main idea. Then use the graphic organizer on the following screens to help you organize your essay.

Main Idea: Walls might be necessary because _____

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Introduction:

Creates interest, states main idea



Claim 1:

Evidence/facts/reasons



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Claim 2:

Evidence/facts/reasons



Claim 3:

Evidence/facts/reasons



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Conclusion:

Summarizes, restates main idea, unifies the writing