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Expository writing is writing that gives the reader information. As such, it should always be clear, well organized, and free of opinion—stick to the facts. Eliminate any information that is not relevant to the topic.

DIRECTIONS: Below are some facts about disaster preparedness. Read the information.

- Over half of Americans have not prepared copies of critical documents.
- 48% of Americans do not have necessary supplies on hand for a disaster.
- More than half of American families don't have a meeting place to connect with one another following a disaster.
- 42% of cell phone owners do not know the cell numbers of immediate family members.

How many categories of information do you think an article about this topic would cover? Suggest some possible headings to separate the information to be presented into logical categories.

On a separate page, write an introduction, and only the introduction, for an essay about this topic. How will you capture your reader's attention? Your introduction should both clearly introduce the topic and preview what is to come.