**Essay Brainstorming Worksheet II: Categories**

Academic Passion(s) Local/National/World Issues Important to You

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Favorite Books/Media/Music/Art Personal Growth

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Career/Goals Talent/Strengths/Interests

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Work/Entrepreneurship Travel

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Challenges/Setbacks/Failures Inspiration

(Physical, Emotional, Intellectual) ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Responsibility

Community ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Weaknesses/Vulnerabilities

Expertise ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Values/Beliefs

Identity/Heritage/Family ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Accomplishments/Successes

Problem Solving ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Creativity

Influential Person(s) ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Curiosity

Leadership ………………………………………………….

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 …………………………………………………. Courage

Independence ………………………………………………….

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