**Blog 1**

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| ***Chosen topic: [Place/Community/Personal Writing Practices], [Specific Subject]***  *For e.g., Chosen topic: Place, HDB void deck at Jurong Street 52* |
| ***Field notes***   * *Place all the observations here in bullet points & underline general observations that will help you form a detailed picture of your chosen topic in Paragraph 1 and highlight significant observations that you hope to analyse in Paragraph 2 and 3 of your op-ed*   ***Additional material***   * *Place: pictures* * *Community: transcript* * *Personal writing habits: screenshots of writing*   *Example*  *Field notes*   * *Hot afternoon, few uniform-wearing students playing badminton, benches with handles in the middle, helper and child carrying NTUC bags while walking to lift, stray cat with a limp, old man sleeping on cardboard in the corner.* |

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| **General Os**  *Write the introduction (3-4 lines) to your op-ed using the general observations you have underlined. Consider how you would introduce your reader to your chosen topic.* | | | |
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| **Significant O**  *Describe your significant observation(s) in complete sentences: 1 significant detail or anomaly, 2 details that contrast each other 2-3 details that work as a pattern. If you are not sure which significant O to pick and would like my advice, you can fill out O1 and O2. Otherwise, just O1 is acceptable.* | | **Reflect**  *What questions did this O spark in you?* | **Analysis**  . *Answer your reflection questions* |
| **O1** | *At the corner of the void deck was an elderly man, seemingly homeless, taking his afternoon nap on a bed of flattened cardboard boxes. There was a bench near him, but I noticed that it had handles in the middle, which would have prevented anyone from being able to lie flat on it.* | How did this make me feel and why? | *This upset me as…It was shocking to see…* |
| *Distill 2 concepts that are related to your chosen detail(s).* | | *Homelessness and elderly* | |
| **O2** | *Describe your significant observations* | *Select your reflection question(s)* | *Answer your question(s)* |
| *Distill 2 concepts that are related to your chosen detail(s).* | | *Each concept should be 1-2 words only.* | |

**Possible questions for the reflection column**

* **Self-reflection**
  + What are some assumptions I had prior to this O?
  + How did this O challenge my thinking?
  + How did this make me feel?
  + Why did this elicit such a reaction from me?
* **Conceptual reflection**
  + What do I think has caused this?
  + What do I foresee could be the challenges or consequences of this?
  + What are further characteristics of this?
  + When/where is this O most significant/pertinent?
  + Who is this O most significant/pertinent to?

Feel free to come up with your own questions based on your responses to the observations, using 5Ws1H as a guide (What, Who, Where, When, Why, How).