## **Chapter 3 Writing Assignment**

Complete the questions to review your critical understanding of the concepts presented in the chapter.

### Know the Facts

It is common to hear people refer to the “beauty pageant culture." Define **culture.**

### Understand the Concepts

What symbols, languages, values, beliefs, and norms are associated with beauty pageants?

### Apply What You Know

Television reality shows have revealed some negative characteristics of beauty pageants, especially for young kids. These shows focus on the personal troubles of the contestants and their families.

How do these personal troubles reflect our society's larger social issues and problems?

### Analyze It

Beauty pageants generate billions of dollars in the U.S. and are firmly embedded within our culture. How difficult would it be to ban pageants for children under sixteen?

If you agree with a ban, at what age would you ban children from participating in pageants? Why? If you disagree with a ban, why?