Breaking Down the Sample Paper

**Step One**
Annotate the opening paragraph.
- Where’s the thesis, underline it.
- Where are the subtopics—circle them.
- What other information do I add—describe it in a couple of sentences.

**Step Two**
Go through the rest of the piece and do the following:
- Underline the topic sentence of each paragraph.
- In the second paragraph of the piece—bold all quoted or paraphrased material.
- At the end of the piece, write a couple of sentences describing what the writer did well and what he might profitably work on.

**Step Three**
Our full Class Discussion questions:
- What worked for you?
- What would you change?
- **Key Question:** What, after reading it, do you remember about Social Distortion?