

# Process Analysis

Each essay in this chapter uses process analysis to get its main idea across. As you read these essays, consider how they achieve the four basics of good process analysis that are listed below and discussed in Chapter 13 of this book.

## Four Basics of Good Process Analysis

- 1 It helps readers either perform the steps themselves or understand how something works.
- 2 It presents the essential steps in the process.
- 3 It explains the steps in detail.
- 4 It arranges the steps in a logical order (usually in chronological order).

Malcolm X

## Learning to Read

Born Malcolm Little on May 19, 1925, Malcolm X was one of the most articulate and powerful leaders of black America during the 1960s. A street hustler convicted of robbery in 1946, he spent seven years in prison, where he educated himself and became a disciple of Elijah Muhammad, founder of the Nation of Islam. In the days of the civil rights movement, Malcolm X emerged as the leading spokesman for black separatism, a philosophy that urged black Americans to cut political, social, and economic ties with the white community. After a pilgrimage to Mecca, the capital of the Muslim world, in 1964, he became an orthodox Muslim, adopted the Muslim name El Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, and