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WRITING STRATEGIES

1. What is the essay’s main claim, or thesis?
2. Explain the connection between the introduction and Greenwell’s thesis.
3. How relevant is handgrip to Greenwell’s larger point? Why might Greenwell have mentioned it to support a larger point in the essay?
4. Choose one source that Greenwell uses as support and explain what particular point it reinforces.

EXPLORING IDEAS

1. Explain “antifragility.” (How is it different than fragile or resilient?)
2. According to the McKays, why can’t you stop at resilience?
3. Do you think today’s parents are more protective and fearful than earlier parents? If so, why? What caused this? Should they be more protective and fearful? What are the consequences of this protection and fear?
4. Are Millennials weak? And, if so, what does it mean to be “weak”?

IDEAS FOR WRITING

1. What caused helicopter parents?
2. Why are Millennials weak? Or why are they strong? (Or why are they something else?)

If responding to one of these ideas, go to the Analysis section of this chapter to begin developing ideas for your essay.