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Notebook Writing: How Far Does the Apple Fall from the Family Tree?

Task:

Write a **compare and contrast argument** to explain the ways in which you are similar and/or different from someone in your family (whomever you count as family). For example, you might focus on:

- The ways you are always being compared to a sibling, and your assessment of how accurate those comparisons are.
- Your physical resemblance to a parent and how you feel about it
- A shared a hobby, talent, or interest between you and an aunt/uncle/grandparent

Process:

Choose a relative, and list the characteristics or traits you have in common with him or her. Begin your piece by establishing your relationship to this person (both who they are to you and how you feel about them). Develop your line of reasoning by detailing the ways in which you are similar and/or different with description and examples. End your piece with an evaluation on whether you ultimately think you are more similar or different, and how you feel about that.