## **DB STARTERS**

## Discussion Board #1—Week one (due \_\_\_\_\_)—not graded

Mary: Good to see some of the students have already started the discussion. In this "Tell Us About Yourself" discussion board, give some background (personal and professional) about yourself and tell us what your expectations for the course are. This way the members of the class and I will have a better idea of who we all are and for us to be able to "see" each other. Here's my quick bio:

Gretchen: In this "Tell Us About Yourself" discussion board, give some background (personal and professional) about yourself and tell us what your expectations for the course are. This way the members of the class and I will have a better idea of who we all are and for us to be able to "see" each other. Here's my quick bio:

I developed this class while teaching as a Professor in the Management Information Systems Department at San Diego State University. I've taught writing and speaking to undergraduate business and accounting majors, graduate programs for MBAs, and professional programs for accountants and financial officers. In consulting work, I have written training programs for the Departments of Commerce and Defense for both printed and on-line courses. My husband is a retired Management Consultant; our daughter is President of a temporary legal and accounting/financial services company in Washington, DC, and our son is a computer web developer in Seattle.

## Discussion Board #2: How did your impromptu speech go?

Identify an individual you wish to influence in some way. Use an impromptu persuasive speech (it can be the one you wrote for last week's assignment or a different one) to convince them. How did it go? (You must give an your impromptu speech before posting to this DB)

## **Discussion Board 3: Reflections on Course Learning**

For this week's DB, revisit the writing that you have done prior to this class for either your coursework or your job. What will you do differently now?

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