

TABLE 11.3

## Sample Procedural Facilitations: Planning Cues for Opinion Essays

New Idea	<p>An even better idea is . . .</p> <p>An important point I haven't considered yet is . . .</p> <p>A better argument would be . . .</p> <p>A different aspect would be . . .</p> <p>A whole new way to think of this topic is . . .</p> <p>No one will have thought of . . .</p>
Improve	<p>I'm not being very clear about what I just said, so . . .</p> <p>I could make my main point clearer by . . .</p> <p>A criticism I should deal with in my paper is . . .</p> <p>I really think this isn't necessary because . . .</p> <p>I'm getting off the topic, so . . .</p> <p>This isn't very convincing because . . .</p> <p>But many readers won't agree that . . .</p> <p>To liven this up I'll . . .</p>
Elaborate	<p>An example of this . . .</p> <p>This is true, but it's not sufficient, so . . .</p> <p>My own feelings about this are . . .</p> <p>I'll change this a little by . . .</p> <p>The reason I think so . . .</p> <p>Another reason that's good . . .</p> <p>I could develop this idea by adding . . .</p> <p>Another way to put it would be . . .</p> <p>A good point on the other side of the argument is . . .</p>
Goals	<p>A goal I think I could write to . . .</p> <p>My purpose . . .</p>
Putting It Together	<p>If I want to start off with my strongest idea I'll . . .</p> <p>I can tie this together by . . .</p> <p>My main point is . . .</p>