The "Mr.-Sturgeon-I-Just-Don't-Understand-How-in-the-World-I-Am-Supposed-to-Make-My-Paragraphs-and-Writings-With-More-Depthand-Detail-Because-I-Have-Said-Everything-That-I-Can-Possibly-Say" Sheet of Advice

- 1. Remember that for every opinion or claim you make, you must follow it up with 2-3 supporting sentences.
- 2. Use the following sentence starters to help with supporting statements:
 - o Because...
 - o For instance...
 - o For example...
 - The author stated...
 - According to the text...
 - On page ____, it said...
 - o From the reading, I know that...
 - o Based on what I read...
 - The reason...
- 3. For some writings you can use the RACE method
 - \circ R= Restate the question
 - \circ A= Answer the question
 - C= Cite evidence
 - \circ E= Explain the evidence
- 4. Consider the classic questions:
 - o Who?
 - o What?
 - o Where?
 - o When?
 - o Why?
 - o How?