

This I Believe

Assessing How Others
Assert their Beliefs

Instructions

Visit NPR's *This I Believe* website, and choose four essays to read and analyze. These essays can be from the 1950s or from the 2000s (or a combination of both).

1. For each, summarize the central idea and identify its main rhetorical strategies.
2. Rank the essays in order of their impact on you, explaining why you have positioned them in this order.