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Throughout the chapter “What’s Motivating This Writer?”, from the book They Say, I Say, there were many elements that I found interesting and helpful for future references. I found that towards the beginning of the writing, the fact that by simply changing the beginning statement of the reading, so many people were able to open up during the discussion more. I also genuinely believe that the deciphering the conversation portion of the text has changed my views a little more about speaking in class. I am always fearful of saying the wrong things that may end up in such a wrong interpretation of what the author is trying to convey. But, I realize now that it is just the way that I believe it is being interpreted by and it is interesting to see how other ideas can be built off of my own. I now realize that analyzing an author’s text is more about a discussion/conversation opening that can give you ideas that you may not have grasped on your own. The final part of the piece opened my mind and intrigued me the most. It brought the fact to my attention that questions are to be asked, not only from the reader to you but from you to the reader. The text should not provide you with a direct answer but yet questions that you want to explore further. Opinions can also differ, and you are allowed to question what an author says or believes in. Overall, I found this chapter really interesting and it provided me more insight on my role in reading an article made by another author.