Suggested Topics for Reflection Paper

Use the following questions to organize ideas for your reflection paper:

- Do you feel you received an adequate opportunity to explore the particular area of law? Why or why not?

- Based on your externship experience and observations, do you see yourself practicing in the specific area of law? Why or why not?
  - What do you find most challenging or exciting about the area of law?
  - What do you find are the drawbacks to practicing in this area?

- What are the pros and cons of working in the particular legal environment?

- How did you find the nature of the legal work? (Interesting, difficult, boring, etc.)

- What did you enjoy the most? The least?

- Was the experience different from what you expected it to be?

- What was the most surprising aspect of the externship?

- What are the most valuable skills you gained during your externship?

- What are your observations of the organization, the attorneys, and the clients?

- What have you learned about the professional responsibility of attorneys?

- Did you feel there was a gap in the theory and the practice of law?

- Did you feel the attorneys you worked with/observed were effective?

- What is your evaluation of the effectiveness of the organization?

- If applicable, compare your classroom experience with the practical aspects of the externship.