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In expository writing, if you don’t get the "lede" paragraph right, only the most determined readers will slog on. I’ll show a few examples where it’s done right, and a few where it’s done wrong. If I’m last on the program, I’ll critique the previous speakers’ openings. (Received September 25, 2012)