

English 102 Writing Assignments

Paper (1)

What is the overall task?

- ✚ Respond to any of the essays from Quizzes One, Two or Three of your text by writing your own paper of between five and seven properly formatted pages.
- ✚ Respond either to the main idea OR one of the supporting ideas, not both.
- ✚ Respond to the content (not the style) of the essay.

What are the minimum requirements?

- ✚ Include, as part of your paper, a summary of the essay you are responding to.
- ✚ Include at least five body paragraphs—PLUS an appropriate introduction and conclusion
- ✚ Document research properly using MLA format.
- ✚ Include a "Works Cited" page. List all publication information for the essay you summarized. If you used any details or ideas from other sources, do the same for them.
- ✚ Include a MESSY PRELIMINARY ROUGH DRAFT. NB: I will not give credit for "rough" drafts that simply make a few superficial changes in wording and punctuation.
- ✚ Hand in Your Final Draft, your rough draft and copies of outside source materials in a **Manila File Folder**

What kinds of things can I write about?

- ✚ Base your response on personal experience (what you've seen or heard about) and/or what you've read — in books, magazines, journals, newspapers, or other outside sources. (Yes, you may say "I".)

Who is my audience?

- ✚ Address a group of readers just like your classmates in 102, BUT assume, for the sake of the assignment, that they have NOT read any of the essays in your text.

Paper (2)

Follow *exactly* the same instructions as Paper (1), except:

- ✚ Respond to any of the essays from **Quizzes Four, Five or Six**.
- ✚ Include **at least three sources**—one from your text and two from elsewhere. You may include more than three sources, but you should not use more than four or five.
- ✚ Whenever possible, **include, in your folder, photocopies or printouts of all sources** that are not in your textbook.