

PROJECT TWO

My Friends,

Our goal for this assignment is to create a meaningful engagement with sources while carrying forward a big idea through your discussion. Your thoughts might not always (rarely?) align with either/or thinking. Consider again: *How might engaging with one idea complicate the way you consider another?*

Moving into this project, it's important to focus on your growth as a thinker/writer/reader while being careful to handle your sources, and to fully develop your ideas in an organized way.

Project 2 is valued at **20 points of your final grade**, so can earn up to 20 points on this project. In my scoring efforts, I strive to be **both serious and generous** with your responses to the essay prompt. I'll use increments of .25 to evaluate your work.

Introductory paragraph(s):

Invites the reader into the discussion: _____ / 1

Include sources and context: _____ / 1

Features a **complex** (not *listy*) thesis with a pathway forward that helps to unite your texts, anchored in the intro: _____ / 2

Body paras:

Offer deep engagement with compelling passages from sources: _____ / 2

Make meaningful connections/offer analysis to highlight the ways the writer's ideas fit with sources: _____ / 2

Work with potent passages (not snippets) from multiple texts in the same para at least twice: _____ / 2

Are organized with clear framing with topic sentences that link to ideas: _____ / 2

Feature transitions between sentences and paragraphs: _____ / 1

Conclusion:

Provides a graceful exit the essay leaving the reading something to consider: _____ / 1

Basic Technical and Specific Components of the Essay:

Careful set-up, handling, and understanding of source material: _____ / 2

Paper is proofread: _____ / 1

Makes serious attempt at MLA format: _____ / 1

400-500 word/800 word/peer review draft of posted on your Project # 2 page:

_____ / 1

Reflection:

Essentially, once (and only once) you've finished the essay, you'll capture what your intent was (and how it changed) over the process of the project. This will happen during **SUBMISSION DAY**, the day the paper is due:

_____ / 1

Total: _____ / 20