

# THE WEBSITE OF YOUR ENGLISH CLASS

WHERE WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO TO PASS THIS CLASS!!!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

## NATIONAL PARKS OUTLINE ASSIGNMENT

We are going to learn how to do outlining (we haven't started yet - I'm just being proactive - this is to be completed for Monday 9/19 online - do not start until directed to do so via ONLINE instructions or INCLASS directions).

While I KNOW that you should see this place that we are doing, I have chosen to do this place more for its repetitive nature (everything is a canyon) and for its spellings that are in Navajo and Hebrew.

Really!! Yep - it's meant to confuse you!! It's important that I do this in practice - it will keep you from getting mixed up in reality.

To do the outline, we will watch a video of the national parks of the Colorado Plateau.

IN CLASS STUDENTS WILL BE GRADED ON THEIR NOTES.

ONLINE STUDENTS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE WEBSITES INCLUDED BELOW AND OTHERS.

IN CLASS STUDENTS WILL NOT SUBMIT THEIR PAPER 1 OUTLINES  
ONLINE STUDENTS WILL SUBMIT (on why education is emotionally valuable to you) FOR A GRADE BASED ON CORRECT COMPLETION OF AN OUTLINE. You will do this through Roman numerals, capital letters, and regular letters. THIS TO THE WEEK 4 DROPBOX. SEE SAMPLE OUTLINES AND YOUR TEXT BOOKS.

When in doubt - ask the old man what you need to do. Don't just do anything and hope you've done it right. This creates mistakes or extra work.



For outlines... The thesis is the Roman numeral (I).

Each place (1 national park, 1 national monument, and 1 other place) is a capital letter (since it is the forecast). These have sufficient subdivisions (at least 3 regular numbers that are listed in order of importance) under it with at least 2 descriptive details (lower case letters).

The student whose essay you are reviewing for the quiz part of this (both in and out of class) should have places arranged like this (according to the sample outline set up paper):

- I. Other Places
  - A. Ricketts Glen State Park
    1. Waterfalls

ARTICLES FOR 051 CLASS

- Adam Bender, 8, Plays on with One Leg ESPN
- Albert Einstein Time 100
- Albert Pujols a Man on Dual Missions Cardinal Nation
- Amelia Earhardt's Soaring Spirit Los Angeles Times
- Anne Frank's Extraordinary Act of Survival National Geographic Adventure
- Bethany Hamilton - Shark Attack Victim Still Makes Waves 700 Club
- Death of an Innocent Outside Magazine
- Debunking the Myths of Columbine 10 Years Later CNN
- First Navy MoH Since Vietnam to go to SEAL Navy Times
- Fred Rogers Dies at 74 Pittsburgh Post Gazette
- Homeless on Campus FORMER FINAL EXAM
- Jackie Robinson Time 100
- Just Be Nice FORMER FINAL EXAM
- Kwame James The Ultimate Assist Sports Illustrated
- Leadership Characteristics and Traits
- Legacy of Lincoln Smithsonian
- Master of his Universe London Guardian FORMER ARTICLE NOT USED ANYMORE
- My Summit Problem Outside Magazine
- Myths of Hurricane Katrina Reason Magazine
- Neil Armstrong - the Reluctant Hero London Independent
- Rosa Parks Time 100
- The Last Hero The Washington Post
- VALUES DOT COM - THE REAL MEANING OF HEROISM
- Who Said Yes Salon FORMER ARTICLE NOT USED ANYMORE

LIVE FOR THE THINGS THAT MAKE YOU HAPPY



Find joy and meaning in all life has to offer

- a. Harrison Wright
- b. B. Reynolds
- c. Ganoga

2. Trails

- a. Waterfall Trail
- b. Bulldozer Trail
- c. Hemlock trail

3. Other pursuits

- a. Fishing on Lake Jean
- b. Snowmobiling
- c. Picnics
- d. Camping

While I can't show tabbing here, these must be tabbed appropriately (each different type of division - capital letters, lower case letters, and regular numbers) are tabbed over 1 additional tab from where the last level went to.

I have a lot of additional video of these places here. By virtue of being alive and in college in 2011, you know how to search these places out on youtube and google. You can find other video for all kinds of places. I recommend seeing as many of these places as you can.

I also have pictures of these places here.

A good website with lots of info on the Colorado Plateau is here.

If I could take great pictures instead of just really good ones, I would be hosting this website.

Both video and pictures include Zion National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Arches National Park, Mesa Verde National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Waterholes Canyon, the Wave, Antelope Canyon, Ute Mountain Tribal Park, In the Desert Solitaire (a reference to Edward Abbey's incredible book entitled Desert Solitaire), Clear Creek Canyon, and Paria Canyon. Not all of these are on the video, but not all of these are meant for casual hikers.

THIS ASSIGNMENT OF CORRECTING AN OUTLINE (25 MISTAKES) IS TO BE DONE BY 9/19 AT 6AM.

THIS IS NOT TIMED. I ADVISE YOU TO HAVE YOUR NOTES AND GOOGLE OPEN DURING THE TEST.

My journeys to the Wave and my finally making it into this geographic wonder are the most influential journeys I have been on since graduating from RACC and Alvernia College to become a teacher. From not getting to this destination on 3 different occasions, the 4th time became a defining moment in my life.

Here, it is.

My 3 videos of my trip to the Wave (story to follow).



ABOUT ME



YOUR TEACHER

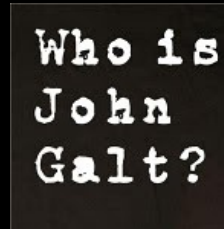
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DUELING T REXES



At the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburgh

ATLAS SHRUGGED



Ayn Rand

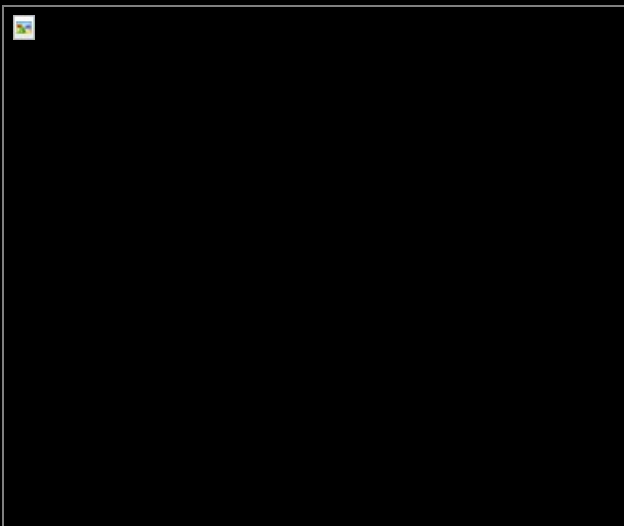
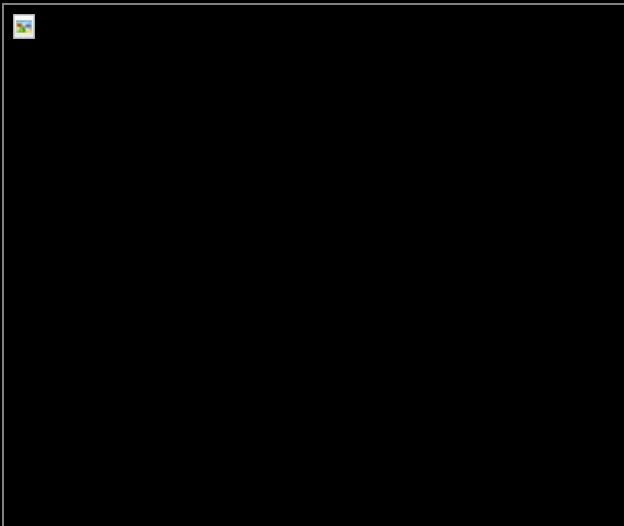
ADAM BENDER - 8 YEAR OLD ONE-LEGGED CATCHER



What's your excuse for not grabbing life by the horns?

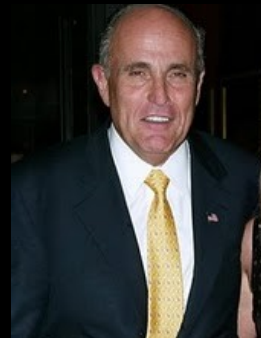
READING ASSIGNMENTS AND OTHER ARTICLES

- A Shattered Nation Longs to Care About Stupid B.S. Again
- All of the Article Explanations from Below
- Aron Ralston - Between a Rock and the Hardest Place
- Aron Ralston - My Summit Problem
- Aron Ralston - Trapped
- Bill Simmons - Manny Being Manipulated
- Bill Simmons - To an Athlete Dying Young
- Bill Simmons' homepage
- Bryan Anderson - Rebuilding Bryan Anderson (followup to class story)



- Bryan Anderson - What I've Learned
- Charles Adams and the danger of telling ghost stories
- Christian Right Views are Swaying Politicians and Threatening the Environment
- Chuck Klosterman at Esquire Magazine
- Chuck Klosterman's 21 CDs from the past 3 years that you need to own
- Chuck Palahniuk - You Are Here
- Chuck Palahniuk's Official Site
- David Foster Wallace - Consider the Lobster
- Erin Andrews' stalker caught
- Hip Hop Planet by James McBride
- Iranian backed insurgents hack predator drones
- John Grisham - Un-Natural Killers
- Jon Krakauer - Death of an Innocent
- Laurie Notaro's homepage
- Mexico's Other Border by Cynthia Gorney (Nat Geo)
- Orchid Fever
- Shooting an Elephant by George Orwell
- Thalidomide - Research Advances in Cancer and Other Conditions
- The Aunties by Anne Lamott
- The Truth About Barry Bonds and Steroids
- This is How We Lost to the White Man by Ta-Nehisi Coates

LEAD UP DOWN AND ALL AROUND - MAKE THE CHOICE TO BE GREAT



"I can handle this. I am handling this. This is what I know how to do - to take charge, and make sound sensible decisions." Rudy Giuliani

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MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2011

## Welcome to English Class COM121

If you are reading this, then you are completing the homework, which was to see the class site on the web that would be this for help and information. All entries after this are for past classes. While they may interest you, you can't get credit for anything that exists

### LINKS TO VARIOUS THINGS

- 10 kids under 21 that have already made it big in business!
- 13 things not to share with your coworkers
- ALGEBRA WORKSHEET creation site
- AMERICAN HISTORY / BRITISH HERITAGE MAGAZINES
- American Psychological Association Home Page

within them. In addition, you are expected to look at them or know anything that is in them let alone to complete things that are in them.

All you have to do is send me **ALL OF THE INFORMATION FROM THE APPROPRIATELY MARKED SPOT** in an e-mail with **YOUR NAME BEHIND** the appropriate places before the next class (**NO NAME BEHIND EACH PART, NO CREDIT - BE SURE TO READ EVERYTHING**), and I will give you 10 points. For another 10 bonus points, you will have a question that you will need to answer and provide a URL of where you found it at the end.

#### EXTRA CREDIT #1

Specifically, how long is a year? Many people have tried to determine this, but I want to know the exact specifications.

I need all and a URL where you found the information (not Wikipedia) for bonus credit.

For those students that are interested in my favorite books, they are here. I definitely recommend all of those and many other books. Ask me if you have any questions on them.

#### CUT AND PASTE FROM HERE TO THE END OF THE ENTRY FOR ASSIGNMENT CREDIT

MUST BE E-MAILED. MUST BE DONE IN ITS ENTIRETY TO INCLUDE SIGNING OFF ON SPOTS.

1. All students should talk to the people who they care about and those people that care for them and discuss what the commitment of college means. Just because you're an adult doesn't mean that people shouldn't be putting your good grades on the refrigerator or giving you a pat on the back for doing well. Just because teachers don't always do this doesn't mean that we don't care, but you do need to impress people. Did you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Going to college means jumping through hoops. Plan to get 3 names for your resume during your experience here. These names aren't "friends." They're professionals with letters in front of and behind their names. You don't need an A to have a reference, but you do have to impress people by doing your best. This doesn't mean kissing a teacher's butt, either. Just do your best and let people help you to success. Really. Are you prepared to do this? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Going to college means taking care of yourself. Eat healthy, get enough sleep, do fun things, balance your schedule, go to the FREE gym that is on campus, set goals, and get rid of the negative influences in your life. On top of this, use the facilities at this school to make the decision to be great. Are you doing what this and your College Success Strategies and College Study Skills tell you? \_\_\_\_\_

4. I have found that two things in my life will ALWAYS give me problems: 1) thinking I know something and 2) doing things solely for the \$. In this, I pass this advice on to you: 1) "don't think - it can only hurt the ball club" (BULL DURHAM) - know or find out, and 2) do things that you're good at and dedicated to because they make you happy. Just because a job can earn you a lot of \$ doesn't mean that you would be good at it or have the abilities to do it. You can see advisers to find out a career or major for you. You can access a lot of things here, and by all means, you should do them. If you want to do something, give it your all, and with that, you should try your hardest (especially if you don't like a class and it's needed to complete your major), but if you find that a major isn't for you, then you should seek out something that is. Are you willing to dedicate

#### APOLLO MISSIONS

APOSTROPHES vanish from Birmingham, UK, streets

Aspect of Light Photos

Balanced Politics Dot Org

BERKS COUNTY Health Needs Assessment

BEYOND PLUTO - A DISCOVER ARTICLE

Cal Tech's Astronomy Site

California Poly Tech's Note Taking Systems

CELL PHONES TO OPERATE  
ROADSIDE BOMBS BUYING SCAM BUSTED

COMMON ERRORS IN ENGLISH

CONSTELLATIONS AND THEIR STARS

Darfur is Dying

DISCOVER MAGAZINE

Discovery Channel

ESPN'S SPECIAL STEROIDS REPORT

EXO-PLANETS

Fashion Lessons for Graduate Students

Gas Prices Demystified

Glossary of English Terms

HIKER HELL blog

HOW TO CITE THE BIBLE IN APA and MLA FORMS

HUFFINGTON POST Liberal Editorialists

Indy Media editorialists (conservative and liberal)

Institute for Astronomy at Hawaii

Issues with Conspiracy Theory of 9/11 and Beyond - a Far Left Perspective

IX QUICK Search Engine

JIM CROW MUSEUM OF RACIST MEMORBILLIA (FERRIS EDU)

Journal of American Medicine

Just Be Nice - Yale Magazine - COM051 Final from Fall

Library of Congress

List of Thwarted Terrorist Attacks since 9/11

LITTLE BIG WAR

MATH WORD PROBLEM help site

Michael Brown Planet Hunter Supreme

MOST DANGEROUS cities in America

MYSFACE pic costs student teaching degree

NASA pictures

NASA'S PAGE

National Archives

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE

National Park Service

Nature Journal

Negro League Hall of Famers (under repair)

NEWSWEEK's 1975 coming iceage article

yourself to a pursuit that you can excel at and make a difference at?

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5. In this class, you will write lots of papers. These are not artworks. They're not the ink and paper forms of living beings. They are simply papers. You're paying to learn to do something well that you obviously need to learn. I needed to learn to write as a student, and you now need to learn to write as a student. A critique of your paper is just that - a critique of your paper. It's not a statement that you're a horrible person. My job is to improve your writing. If I don't tell you what can be better, you'll just be the same now as you were then. That doesn't work in my books. Also, writing papers about things that we're so committed to and thinking that every word is a work of art or an expression of love or sadness for some person or event keeps us from realizing that some things need to alter or be removed to have a successful paper. This is something that we learn in all the things that we do. Are you prepared to learn from criticism not being critical about you - it's not the same and to make the changes that you need to be great at college and in life?

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6. Have you accessed Angel Online, which is where I house many handouts? Whether you use this or not to look at assignments, you have been assigned to use it and are responsible for what is contained within this site. You will be held responsible accordingly.

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7. Now that you're sending me your e-mail, are you prepared to continually see this site for homework, to contact me for help, to use peer help systems, to keep up with current events, to read often and for fun, and to faithfully keep up with your work for the 10 weeks of this class? \_\_\_\_\_

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TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011

## MLA CITATION ASSISTANCE

If you have a paragraph such as this one:

Throughout the past 12 years, the New York Yankees have gone through many changes. Perhaps the most significant of which was signing Joe Torre to be their manager after the botched 1995 playoffs run. (Olney 8) Then again, it can also be argued that taking Jeter as the 6th pick in the 1992 MLB Amateur draft was the most successful contribution to the Yankees playoff run. (Olney 38) Since Jeter was the only member of the 1998 championship Yankees, it was clear to see that his leadership led the team to greatness. (Yanknees) Nevertheless, by 2007, the Yankees were clearly a team without a centralized ideal of what it meant to be a Yankee. (Yanknees) Nevertheless, the same core identities that made Posada, Rivera, Jeter, and Martinez real Yankees in 1999 will continue to show in the youth of Chamberlain, Cano, Kennedy, Cabrera, and Hughes. (Olney)

You will find that there are several issues with the paragraph.

One, the first 2 Buster Olney citations (both made up for the purpose of this post) are from the same book. You would not need Olney before Olney 38 since you have Olney 8. It is automatically assumed that you are citing from Olney if you have 2 citations in a row. However, with the last citation being from Buster Olney's website, you would have to revert all of these back to the first important word of the title.

NINE PLANETS DOT ORG

NPR's HOMEPAGE

PA State Parks

Pa Waterfalls - they're the answer to all things - really!!

PBS.ORG

Plagiarism Definition 2

PLAGIARISM DEFINITION AND EXPLANATION

Politically Correct Immigration Terms

PRE WAR IRAQ INTELLIGENCE

PRO CON Dot Org

recognizing FAKE E-mails

REUTERS' values neutral issues in the Israel / Hezbollah conflict

RICKETTS GLEN winter rescue

SANCTUARY CITIES

SCOTT SHEPPARD'S SPACE SITE

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE

SPACE SHUTTLE ARCHIVE

SPORTS ILLUSTRATED'S TOTALLY JUICED

Surf Wax Search Engine

The Bailout Game

The Blue Book of Grammar and Punctuation

The Bravest Kids - Heroes to look up to even though they're younger than you!!!

The CIA's WORLD FACTBOOK

THE MURDERBOARD - or how to practice for giving spoken word engagements

The OWL at Purdue - NEW APA STUFF

THE OWL AT PURDUE - NEW MLA STUFF

THINGS TO KNOW before you vacation in another country

Tin Foil Nation - problems with conspiracy sites (right leaning)

Townhall Dot Com Conservative Editorialists

TUPAC, Chuck Phillips, James Sabatino, and the problem with unreliable sources.

Vampire Weekend - Oxford Comma

World Digital Library

You Can Never Have Too Much Fleece

Your teacher's book list

Your teacher's photos

Your teacher's videos

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COMPLETING MY "WHITE WHALE."



On the Works Cited page, you would also have --- for the author's name (in this case Olney) in the 2nd citation (but make sure he's there in the first!).

You would also not have 2 (Yankees) citations in a row. It would be obvious that all things up to the 2nd (Yankees) would be from that citation.

All of these rules are to save space and ink and cost (really!!).

Keep in mind, the only time you need a citation is if you're taking someone's opinion or factual information.

If you establish a fact such as **THROUGHOUT HISTORY, A CERTAIN TYPE OF PLAYER PLAYED FOR THE YANKEES. THESE WERE ALWAYS CLEAN CUT PLAYERS THAT WORKED HARD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TEAM. PLAYERS SUCH AS REGGIE JACKSON, WHO FOR AS GOOD AS HE WAS ENDED UP CAST OFF FOR HIS SELFISHNESS AND EGO, REPRESENT THOSE PLAYERS WHO COULD HAVE BEEN YANKEES BUT DIDN'T LIVE UP TO THE CENTRAL IDEA OF TEAM.**

**THEN...** you could create your own opinions about such drains on the Yankees as Johnny Damon, Bobby Abreau, Jason Giambi, Roger Clemens, Kevin Brown, and Alex Rodriguez. You would be free to talk about big salaries and love of individual stats over championships. You would also be able to talk about Damon being more about his long hair and idiot personality in Boston days than his throwing arm. You could also talk about the white collar attitude that helped Giambi and his tattoos and long hair succeed in Oakland (a place where steroids were part of the daily routine, or so it seems) and how he lost his powers (like Sampson), when he was forced to shave and cut his hair.

If you went back and talked about the history of Don Mattingly being told to cut his hair (a situation parodied in the Simpsons baseball episode), then you would need to quote where you got that info.

Another problem students usually have with citations is that they cite every line. Every line doesn't have to be cited - only if it is a fact or someone else's opinion. If the whole thing is paraphrased from the same website (Gammons) for example, you could have one Gammons at the end and get away with it.

You can only have one page from a book (Caple 8). You can't say (Caple 8, 14, 39). You also can't have (Caple 8) (Gammons) back to back. Label each site's exact quote location. If they both say the same thing ("If Dave Winfield was Mr. May, then surely, Alex Rodriguez is Mr. April") then choose one guy's quote and end it there.

If you remember reading something in a book, say Bill Simmons' Now I Can Die in Peace, and you don't know what page, search it out with Google. If you know someone else doing the topic, fall back to their knowledge or mine. Usually, a solid Google search will help you find anything. If you're obviously quoting from Simmons and you don't have a page, it would technically be plagiarism. Sometimes, we forget citations - that's a dumb learning mistake. However, when we forget to label multiple citations, that becomes a problem of laziness and plagiarism.

When in doubt, find a new citation.

Any more questions, please contact me.

Don't even think about putting URLs in the citations. See the previous MLA handout for more details!!!



The Wave - Grand Staircase Escalante (Az / Ut border)

DO OR DO NOT.



There is no try.

STAR WARS



the greatest movies of all time!

"DON'T THINK - IT CAN ONLY HURT THE BALLCLUB."



Know or find out - don't assume anything.

BASEBALL



## Aron Ralston and rest of class info

This is the link to the Aron Ralston video - there are 6 parts. This is only the first of them. The rest will follow each video on the right hand sidebar.

If you've seen *127 Hours*, this is not the same thing. You should not substitute the movie for the Brokaw interview if you want to get the points that you need to get whatever grade you need. After Thursday's class, I will post the questions in a way that you can access them. Even if you don't intend to stay for the video on Thursday, you must show up to class. I will explain what you need from the Materials page of Angel to do this.

Ask questions before you start. This should be 45/50 points for doing this peer review essay assignment.

So that means that we finish up MLA tomorrow so that you can do the quiz for 6am on Monday morning. This means that we will go over grammar test stuff for next Tuesday tomorrow and Monday. This means that we will assign the final exam topic to you for next Wednesday.

There are 5 days to go.

Keep your chin up, your attitude positive, your energy level full, and your belief in yourself overflowing.

You can do it.

I believe in you.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2011

## US HISTORY SCAVENGER HUNT

M,W,F paper 2 is now due on Friday.

Tu, Th paper 2 is still due Thursday.

Scavenger hunt for next Thursday or Friday depending on your class days of the week.

Scavenger Hunt for general US information.

What is the major river that flows through Washington D.C.?

What is the major river that flows through New Orleans?

What is the major river that flows through the Grand Canyon?

What is the major river that flows through the border of the US and Mexico?

What is the major river that flows through Boston?

What is the largest great lake in the United States?

What is the name of the great lake that touches Pennsylvania?

There are 5 great lakes, but occasionally, one lake is recommended as the 6th great lake; name it.

Niagara Falls is a series of 3 waterfalls; what are their actual names?

There are a series of lakes in New York State that run north to south. What are their names?

What "lake" is formed by the dam at Glen Canyon?

What "lake" is formed by the Hoover Dam?

Which mountain range runs north and south from Denver?

Which famous "thoroughfare" runs through the mountains at Port Clinton, Pennsylvania?

What is the name of the "state" that would have been made up of northern California and southern Oregon if not for WW2?

What is the name of the part of Cuba that the United States owns?

What is the name of the town that exists about a mile from where the US Navy drops bombs on Puerto Rico?

What is the official status of Puerto Rico with regards to its place in the United States?

Who was Yankee Stadium built for?



The perfect game...

### BIG PAPI



Go Red Sox!!!

### SELF-SACRIFICE FOR GREATER CAUSES



### WHAT WOULD JACK BAUER DO?



### HEROES



Ed Viesturs

### MARK MCGWIRE



Ted Williams might have been the greatest hitter ever if he hadn't selflessly dedicated several years of his life to being in what branch of the military?

Where did Jackie Robinson play his only season of minor league ball?

What is the name of the archaeological site that JM Adovasio excavated near Erie, Pennsylvania?

Who did the angel Moroni give the gold tablets that would speak the holy words of a distinctly American religion to?

What hill in New York did this event take place?

When Columbus came to America, the Spanish conquistadors killed all of the native Haitians (the Arawak Indians). A priest stopped this because he felt that the Indians might actually be a lost tribe of Israel. Name the priest.

What is the first place(s) that the sun rises in America to greet the new year?

What is the name of the town near where Flight 93 crashed?

From this site where the mound builders (Native Americans) lived and built up their sites, you can see the Gateway Arch .

Who was the last country to lay claim to lands that became the state of Alaska before the Americans made it a state in 1959?

If the last 2 states were Alaska and Hawaii, what was the 48th state to enter the union?

What was the first state to enter into the union?

What was the first state out of the union prior to the Civil War?

What was the last state back in the union after the Civil War?

In what war was the US Capitol burned to the ground?

Which US President lived at Monticello?

After the Treaty of Ghent, which US President kicked butt at New Orleans to vanquish the enemies of America?

This 1820 compromise divided up the parts of the country that could be slave-holding states from those that could not.

What is the former standard name given to the earliest man in America, which is named after the creation of an arrowhead that was found at Blackwater Draw?

What animal's presence caused early man to cross the Bering Strait?

This Mexican bandit who was later memorialized in a song by Townes Van Zandt led an invasion on the US on March 9, 1916.

Despite an open frustration from US Gulf War commander Norman Schwartzkopf, this future 4-star general from West Lawn, Pennsylvania, led the Army's 7th Corps through the short ground war to liberate Kuwait.

After removing the right to habeas corpus, Abraham Lincoln threw the mayor of what northern city in jail for his talk of secession?

How many Senators does Washington D.C. have?

John Hanson, the leader of this group of officials, is sometimes referred to as the first President of the United States, but since this was a group in charge, there is no first leader prior to Washington.

What was the name of the group that Hanson fronted?

This author used his upbringing in Lewiston, Illinois, to construct a series of epitaphs for the "fictionalized" citizens of his town.

This poet from Amherst, Massachusetts, published almost nothing in her lifetime, but became somebody (instead of "nobody") after her death.

This poet whose final home is down the street from the Tweeter Center in Camden, New Jersey, was also famous for having lived on Long Island and writing about Lincoln and the potential for many great American visions to be realized.

Name the literary movement that Langston Hughes was a part of.

Mr. Glass found this act created by Millard Filmore to be the stupidest example of compromise in American history since it stopped the slave trade and thus pleased the northern abolitionists (a good thing), but wouldn't do what it had to do to end slavery altogether and even had provisions for hunting down runaway slaves with government resources.

The last time the US Cavalry charged on American soil was at this suburb of Washington D.C. during an uprising of disgruntled WW1



#55 against Atlanta August 30, 1998 - the greatest moment of my life

ARON RALSTON



Rescuing himself in spite of the odds

MARUCS LUTTRELL AND SEAL TEAM 10



Standing up for America in the harshest of combat zones

RANDY PAUSCH



Courage in dying to show the meaing of life

BRYAN ANDERSON



Living a full life despite losing 3 limbs to a roadside bomb

CHRIS MCCANDLESS



I walk into the wild...

VICTOR FRANKL



vets in July of 1932.

This famous magician died during one of his tricks during a Halloween performance in 1926.

This famous aviator had his son kidnapped, an event that added to his public love, but lost all of it when he became an apologist for the Nazis.

Marine who orchestrated the Iran / Contra dealings, which went around Congressional approval to give the Iranians weapons to fight Saddam Hussein and took the money to finance the Contras in a war against communism in Nicaragua.

This naval vessel docked in Yemen was suicide bombed on October 12, 2000, by Al Qaeda operatives.

In 1964, this US naval vessel was fired upon by North Vietnamese troops. While its role was downplayed, it brought about the Vietnam War. Name the boat.

JFK was supposed to back Cuban resistance fighters up, but failed to provide air cover, thus, this place is remembered for the disaster that the attempt to overthrow Castro became.

This name became associated with the generations of "separate but equal" treatment that African American received after the Civil War. On March 2, 1955, this woman refused to give up her bus seat to a white person. She would precede Rosa Parks by 9 months, but her case never went to court since she was an unwed mother. Name her. Ran for president in early 1900's on 5 different occasions, the last one was in 1920 while in prison in Atlanta. Received nearly 1million votes, but lost the election.

During the Salem Witch Trials, this preacher was hauled back to Massachusetts from Maine because of his alleged bewitching of the girls of Salem.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2011

## PRESIDENTIAL SCAVENGER HUNT

Here is the handout in its entirety if you lost yours.

Presidential Scavenger Hunt VERSION 2

1. President who was stricken with polio, but led the country during the beginning of World War 2.
2. President at the end of World War 2 who was defeated by Dewey.
3. Despite getting re-elected on the promise that he would keep the US out of the war, he was president during World War 1.
4. World War 2 general that was president during the truce at the end of the Korean War.
5. Our first president to die in office - of pneumonia - since he was too stupid to wear a coat for his inauguration on a chilly January day.
6. The only bachelor president that is often debated as the first "gay president, this man hailed from Pennsylvania and is remembered for being so caught up in inability to get anything done in pre-Civil War politics that he couldn't wait to leave office..
7. Civil War general that became president for 8 years despite often being referred to as 1 of our worst presidents.
8. President who was famous for being a great hunter and a Spanish American War hero before being remembered for giving "advice to Ben Stiller." Tried to re-run for office unsuccessfully years later as a member of the Bull Moose Party.
9. President who failed to get re-elected after his status as Commander-in-Chief during Desert Storm. More young people remember him from an episode of the Simpsons that parodied Dennis the Menace.
10. The 2nd president of the US died the same day (the 4th of July, 1826) as the 3rd president. Who was the 2nd president?
11. President who was almost assassinated by members of the Manson family? Also, he was featured on an episode of the Simpsons



Choosing life instead of being systematically wiped out by genocide.

DORIS VOITIER



Saving her school in the face of Hurricane Katrina and Bureaucracy limitations

STEVE IRWIN



How many people can say that they do a job where they get to talk about how great nature and life are?

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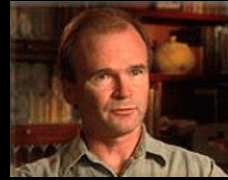
JESSE OWENS



- as a down to earth guy that Homer could relate to.
12. The only president to resign from office actually was influential for his visit to China and his environmental causes.
  13. Lincoln's vice president was remembered as the president who was brought up on impeachment charges (for leniency to former Confederates after the Civil War). Who was he?
  14. My favorite president bought Louisiana from the French, thus ending their stay in America while giving them money to fight England (making sure they would be off of our backs until the War of 1812). He was also referred to as the first American archaeologist. A lover of intelligence, the creator of the University of Virginia, the writer of the Declaration of Independence and the builder of Monticello was who?
  15. George W. Bush is not the first president to have a presidential dad. Who was the first son of a president to be president?
  16. The president during the War of 1812.
  17. This southern president was referred to as King Andrew for his absolute control as president and his desire for Manifest Destiny in the early days of America. He is also known for killing a man to defend his wife's honor.
  18. The last Republican president before the New Deal began. He allowed America to slip further into the Great Depression. If most people know of him now, it's either because of his daughter on Fox News or because he is mentioned in a song from Annie.
  19. The former standard bearer of the Democratic Party, this president's economic sanctions against Iraq were responsible for 1 million dead Iraqis. Nevertheless, he still managed to become the first Democrat since FDR to win a 2nd term in office.
  20. Playboy president that was assassinated in Dallas because of his controversial views is remembered for inspiring the country to go to the moon and for his handling of many Cold War events.
  21. Born in a log cabin in Kentucky and rose up to save America from itself. He is often viewed as the greatest president ever. He did all this despite many political setbacks, challenges, and suffering from depression.
  22. While some would argue that John Hanson who was in charge of the Articles of Confederation was the first US President, we actually look to this cherry tree chopper as our original leader despite his original reluctance to be a part of the new government.
  23. I once had a roommate who referred to him as the greatest president that Panama ever had (since he gave back the canal to the Panamanians). He was president when the hostages were taken in Iran. Now, he is equally infamous for his talks with Hamas.
  24. The election of this president over Governor Tilden of New York was an electoral voting nightmare that ended the period of America known as the Reconstruction.
  25. Former president of the Screen Actors Guild and Governor of California, the Gipper was known as the Great Communicator and at his recent death was looked upon as the role model for modern conservatives for his Libertarian ideology.
  26. Southern Democrat that took over when Kennedy was killed. His wife was named Lady Bird.
  27. Shot by a disgruntled attorney at a railroad station in Washington during the only year that he served as president.
  28. Like his father, he was a very strong president during wartime, but crashed dramatically in the polls over his other policies as well as when his wartime policies got bogged down in casualties and financial costs.
  29. Died in August 1923 of a heart attack, thus keeping his friends personal scandals from coming to public light.
  30. Became president after a career in law. Teddy Roosevelt, the man who helped him get in office, would also keep him from getting elected again.
  31. One of many presidents from Virginia, he is most famous for a "doctrine" named after him and the Missouri Compromise.
  32. Known as the Little Magician. He was from New York and most of

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his presidency is caught up in the politics that made the Civil War a necessary reality.

33. The only president that was elected twice, but not twice in a row.

34. After the failures of the previous administration, he came to office with a youthful optimism that saw America envision that he could totally reinvent politics and apologize to the world for past mistakes with major policy changes and speeches.

35. This whiskered (though clean-shaven on his chin) guy was in charge of the Customs House before his run as president.

36. Because he signed the Fugitive Slave Act in 1850, he was defeated for a 2nd term as president.

37. Stood strong as a nationalist while the territories won in America's war with Mexico faced the debate over which if any would be slave states.

38. A "deranged anarchist" shot this first president in the 20th Century dead.

39. Despite having less popular votes than Grover Cleveland, he was named president.

40. Referred to as "his accidency" due to his appointment to president because of the former president's death.

Google Search for Presidents of the USA will give you a list of presidents if you don't have a list handy. PRINT the last name of the president behind the number of the question when you turn this in (to make for more expedited grading).

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## 9/11 Scavenger Hunt

9/11 and the events leading up to it and after it  
Scavenger Hunt

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

1. Who was the mayor of New York on 9/11?
2. Who was the governor of New York on 9/11?
3. Who was the president of the United States on 9/11?
4. Who was the prime minister of Britain on 9/11?
5. What was the name of the terrorist organization that committed the acts of 9/11? (DON'T ANSWER ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS WITH CONSPIRACY THEORIES- I have no interest in this non-objective fear mongering and will not accept papers or answers on it)
6. What were the 2 airliner numbers that crashed into the World Trade Center?
7. Flight 93 crashed into a field outside of this western Pennsylvania town.
8. What was the intended target of Flight 93?
9. Who was the passenger who stated the now infamous reaction, "Let's roll!" in an effort to fight back against the terrorists that had taken over Flight 93?
10. On the New York flights, how did the terrorists keep the passengers out of the cockpit?
11. What items did the terrorists smuggle on board to kill the passengers and at least one flight captain, John Ognowski?
12. American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into what Washington D.C. building?
13. What was the name of the terrorist who was in charge of answer #5?
14. What was the name of the terrorist who concocted the original idea of 9/11?
15. How many total deaths and "missing" were caused by the hijackers on 9/11?
16. Who was the former Assistant Director of the FBI to die on 9/11?
17. At least how many people jumped out of the WTC to their deaths on 9/11?
18. The 9/11 attacks were not the first time that the WTC was



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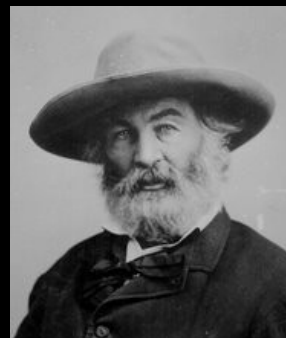
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attacked. When did this action happen for the first time?

19. Who were the 5 men involved in this plan?

20. Who financed the idea of this attack?

21. How many people did this attack kill and injure?

22. After this attack, another attack on the Alfred P. Murrah building in Oklahoma City was immediately blamed on Arab terrorists, but was actually the work of these 2 guys.

23. After 9/11, this guy was arrested for allegedly attempting to be the dirty bomber.

24. After 9/11, this guy was arrested for allegedly attempting to be the shoe bomber.

25. After 9/11, this deadly chemical was received at various locations that included the office of news anchor Tom Brokaw.

26. With regard to the FBI's investigation, what is the code name of this case?

27. How many people did these attacks kill?

28. The movie World Trade Center is a movie version of the real life events that happened to what 2 firefighters?

29. Which former US President condemned the movie Paths to 9/11 as being a slanderous attack on him?

30. This former National Security Advisor and now Secretary of State did nothing when presented with a memo that stated, "Al Qaeda Determined To Attack In US."

31. Who was in charge of Afghanistan when the 9/11 attacks occurred?

32. What day did the U.S. and Great Britain invade Afghanistan?

33. As of today, what is the total number of Americans killed in Afghanistan?

34. What day did the U.S. invade Iraq?

35. As of today, what is the total number of Americans killed in Iraq?

36. On August 2, 1990, Saddam Hussein invaded this neighboring country for stealing oil out from under his border?

37. This organization gave Iraq until January 15, 1991, to withdraw from answer #36. Because they have absolutely NO POWER, this ultimatum ended in the US liberating the annexed country in decisive military air power form.

38. What was the name of the original mission in 1991 that saw the US get all too involved militarily in the Middle East?

39. Iraq launched SCUD missile attacks on this nation to bring them into this war. It didn't work.

40. What was the name of the US guided missile destroyer that was attacked by answer #5 in the year 2000?

41. How many Marines were killed by a Hezbollah backed suicide bomber in Beirut on October 23, 1983?

42. After various acts of terrorism (including a German discotheque bombing and the bombing of a plane that crashed over Lockerbie, Scotland), Col Gadhafi actions cause the US to bomb this country in 1986.

43. On November 4, 1979, Iranian militants seize hostages at the US Embassy for this many days.

44. The U.S. President who only sent one botched mission to rescue the hostages.

45. In 1998, the US Embassy in this country was bombed by answer #5.

46. In 1996, the Khobar Towers in this country was bombed by answer #5.

47. What war did the US support many members of answer #5?

48. What did the US financially reward answer #31 for doing prior to their war with them?

49. Who is the #2 man in the organization that is the answer to #5?

50. What were the names of Saddam Hussein's 2 sons that were killed by US troops?

51. Chemical Ali became notorious for the gassing of these people, which was known as Operation Anfal. He is set to hang in the near future.

52. Answer #51 is 1 of the 3 biggest factions that seek for control of

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ASSIGNMENT

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  - ▶ 2010 (32)
  - ▶ 2009 (26)
  - ▶ 2008 (8)
  - ▶ 2007 (3)
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parts of Iraq in the current time frame. What are the other 2, which are the major divisions of Muslim culture?

53. Currently, what Middle East regional country is waging a counter insurgency with answer #51?

54. This Jordanian militant was killed by the US in June 2006 because of his role in the Iraqi insurgency.

55. This Iraqi Shiite cleric is very influential in the politics of post war Iraq due to his father having been killed by Sadaam Hussein. A town is now named after the father.

56. This guy would have been a 9/11 hijacker had it not been for his inability to keep secretive about the plans (at one point, he tried to get flight lessons to take off, but not to land). He is currently serving 6 life terms. Getting a search warrant to raid his computer could have stopped 9/11.

57. Most of the 9/11 hijackers came from what country?

58. What is the name of Bush's controversial plan to reduce freedoms in the name of being able to catch more potential terrorists?

59. What country that the US supports has caused Al Qaeda and various terrorist groups to want to harm us?

60. What organization created this country on November 29, 1947?

61. Another reason that these people hate the US is because of our presence of what on their "holy land."

62. On May 7, 2004, this US businessman was beheaded by terrorists that had kidnapped him.

63. On February 1, 2002, this US journalist was beheaded by terrorists that had kidnapped him.

64. This neighboring country of Afghanistan is where many of the remaining members of #5 and #31 are alleged to be hiding out. The US is not allowed to go after them.

65. Bin Laden is alleged to have escaped from certain death by air evacuation from this place.

66. The US Navy Seal that won the Medal of Honor for his actions in Operation Redwing.

67. This story became what book by Marcus Luttrell?

68. Who is the current president of Afghanistan?

69. Who is the current president of Iraq?

70. Former US Secretary of Defense that resigned after years of being dogged over failures in Iraq.

71. Who is the current US War Czar?

72. After the War with Iraq's first phase was over, he became Presidential Envoy to Iraq in 2003.

73. Who is the current US Commander in Iraq?

74. The US privatized security company that pays \$1,000 a day for contractors to protect military and governmental targets in Iraq from hostile attacks by the insurgency.

75. This city became the site of a brutal series of battles after 4 members of the answer to #74 were captured and desecrated by the insurgency

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MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2011

## day 1 stuff to do - read carefully!!!!

If you are reading this, then you are completing the homework, which was to see the class site on the web that would be this for help and information. There is a lot of info in this section. Please read everything VERY CAREFULLY!!

As for the assignment, all you have to do is send me the information at the very bottom in an e-mail to my school address (not ANGEL online) with your name behind the appropriate places before the next class, and I will give you 10 points. You will see that I literally spell it out for you as far as what must be pasted. Anything else

WILL NOT be given credit. For another 10 bonus points, you will have a question that you will need to answer and provide a URL of where you found it at the end.

CUT AND PASTE FROM HERE FOR CREDIT  
MUST BE E-MAILED.  
YOU MUST SIGN OFF ON EACH STATEMENT.

1. All students should talk to the people who they care about and those people that care for them and discuss what the commitment of college means. Just because you're an adult doesn't mean that people shouldn't be putting your good grades on the refrigerator or giving you a pat on the back for doing well. Just because teachers don't always do this doesn't mean that we don't care, but you do need to impress people. Did you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Going to college means jumping through hoops. Plan to get 3 names for your resume during your experience here. These names aren't "friends." They're professionals with letters in front of and behind their names. You don't need an A to have a reference, but you do have to impress people by doing your best. This doesn't mean kissing a teacher's butt, either. Just do your best and let people help you to success. Really. Are you prepared to do this? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Going to college means taking care of yourself. Eat healthy, get enough sleep, do fun things, balance your schedule, go to the FREE gym that is on campus, set goals, and get rid of the negative influences in your life. On top of this, use the facilities at this school to make the decision to be great. Are you doing what this and your College Success Strategies and College Study Skills tell you?  
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4. I have found that two things in my life will ALWAYS give me problems: 1) thinking I know something and 2) doing things solely for the \$. In this, I pass this advice on to you: 1) "don't think - it can only hurt the ball club" (BULL DURHAM) - know or find out, and 2) do things that you're good at and dedicated to because they make you happy. Just because a job can earn you a lot of \$ doesn't mean that you would be good at it or have the abilities to do it. You can see advisers to find out a career or major for you. You can access a lot of things here, and by all means, you should do them. If you want to do something, give it your all, and with that, you should try your hardest (especially if you don't like a class and it's needed to complete your major), but if you find that a major isn't for you, then you should seek out something that is. Are you willing to dedicate yourself to a pursuit that you can excel at and make a difference at?  
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5. In this class, you will write lots of papers. These are not artworks. They're not the ink and paper forms of living beings. They are simply papers. You're paying to learn to do something well that you obviously need to learn. I needed to learn to write as a student, and you now need to learn to write as a student. A critique of your paper is just that - a critique of your paper. It's not a statement that you're a horrible person. My job is to improve your writing. If I don't tell you what can be better, you'll just be the same now as you were then. That doesn't work in my books. Also, writing papers about things that we're so committed to and thinking that every word is a work of art or an expression of love or sadness for some person or event keeps us from realizing that some things need to alter or be removed to have a successful paper. This is something that we learn in all the things that we do. Are you prepared to learn from criticism not being critical about you - it's not the same and to make the changes that you need to be great at college and in life?  
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6. Have you accessed Angel Online, which is where I house many handouts? Whether you use this or not to look at assignments, you have been assigned to use it and are responsible for what is contained within this site. You will be held responsible accordingly.

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7. Now that you're sending me your e-mail, are you prepared to continually see this site for homework, to contact me for help, to use peer help systems, to keep up with current events, to read often and for fun, and to faithfully keep up with your work for the 10 weeks of this class? \_\_\_\_\_

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SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011

1. Death of an Innocent (read and online quiz) by Monday morning at 6am.
2. Issues in Your Paper (read and online quiz) by Monday morning at 6am.
3. Journal rules (read and online quiz) by Monday morning at 6am.
4. First week journal (online drop box) by Monday morning at 6am.
5. Go to the link on Survey Monkey and take my survey ASAP (after the other things on this list).
6. Go to Angel Online - sign in and e-mail me from there.

ANY QUESTIONS? Consult your Sid Stocker handout and / or contact me IMMEDIATELY.

Summer classes are too short to not know what you're doing or to not do things.

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MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2011

## Answer for the making stats mean something quiz

Video from a student:

Friedman, T.L. (2005). The world is flat. New York City: Farrar, Straus & Giroux.

Oberholzer, F., & Strumpf, K. (2004, March). The effect of file sharing on record sales: An empirical analysis. Retrieved from <http://www.unc.edu>

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FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2011

## Assignment for Monday the 28 of March

1. Last day for extra credit for early journal completion - March 30th. Journals will be accepted until the end of week 15, but early 10 point extra credit is Wednesday.
2. Cornell Method in class assignment is due Wednesday. Fill out the Cornell Method COMPLETELY based on our Civil War video and write a 1 FULL PAGE journal comparing how you used to take notes and how you take them now. Does the Cornell Method work? Does another method that exists in my PPT work for you? Why or why not? Tell me! You can handwrite this.
3. Making Statistics Mean Something quiz online (week 7 and 8 stuff). This is due Monday morning at 6am. This will take you 2-3 hours at least. See the PPT of the same name. Use this to answer the questions separate from the actual quiz drop box (where you can cut and paste these questions later due to the length of time that this will REALISTICALLY take you). You can't just start answering the questions until you have read THE ENTIRE PPT. E-mail questions early. I will answer until Sunday night at 9am (and I will answer ALL WEEKEND), BUT you might need more time than 2-3 hours (you could need less), but I am expecting college level effort and ability. Spelling and grammar count.
4. Last day to drop this class with a W is March 30th. There could be consequences (financially) if you drop it. If you stay in and you fail, there could be consequences as well (academic probation). Make the wise decision that is informed. I won't do it for you, but I'll tell you where you stand to figure it all out. Midterm grades will be posted by this weekend. If you look Sunday and you don't have 1, then you're passing. I don't list passing grades - just failing ones.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2011

## First 6 weeks of class schedule

Week 1 of class - I meet you on day 1! Including the final exam, I see you 45 times. Since this class was MARKED AS WEB-ENHANCED, YOU MUST BE ABLE TO GET INTO THIS VERY IMPORTANT INTERNET LOCATION. Not having a computer is not an excuse. If it is, you may want to switch to a class that isn't web-enhanced since you pay a technology fee to the school, AND you are now accountable to being able to access the vast quantity of items that I have created for this class. If there be any issue, you can use RACC's computers if necessary (they're not just for Facebook). I also tell you that you should get a USB drive to store all of my attachments on (trees don't have to die for ALL of the handouts that I give to you (and I give you a lot of handouts and PowerPoints to help improve your chances of success)). We go over the Bad Letter handouts and I explain to you why you need to do well in English (If I can't tell you this, then the class has no foundation). I tell you how to access Angel Online so that you can see all of the handouts that are listed on the Sid Stocker Memorial Assignment Book Page. I give you the syllabus (which I explain to you), the rules sign off sheet, the To My Students letter (you will sign off after having RECEIVED this and listening to my 15-20 minute overview of class), and the Plagiarism explanations, which you will keep for future reference (if necessary, but hopefully, you won't need this). The most IMMEDIATELY important stuff online (other than the schedule) are the Can You Pass My Class handout with all assignments and rationales on it, the RACC rules for students (as does every other teacher that you have), the Issues in Your Paper handout, and the Journals paper (not optional). You will read through the RULES SECTION of this and take the quiz by Monday January 31st at 6am (or you will be locked out and unable to take the quiz). You will do the same thing for the Issues in Your Paper quiz. Students, who don't read, don't do well. I'm just saying. You are told to go on ANGEL where you must send

me an e-mail (the only one that IN CLASSROOM STUDENTS will ever send from the Angel site - on the other hand, ONLINE STUDENTS WILL SEND ALL OF THEIR E-MAILS TO ANGEL) to prove that you were there and have read the RACC Rules for Students). When this is done, you will watch the introduction to my class video. I also assign you to go online and see the class website ([www.onlymypride.blogspot.com](http://www.onlymypride.blogspot.com)) and then read and follow the directions from the first entry so that I know that you know where the website is and so that I know what your RACC e-mail is (ASAP, but prior to your first class of week 2 - no personal e-mails - just RACC e-mail via SCHOOL POLICY).

I give you the assignment to read Death of an Innocent and take an online quiz prior to the beginning of class on Friday (6am in the morning it shuts off). The story can be located at the following hyperlink and in Week 1 stuff as a Word file. ([http://outside.away.com/outside/features/1993/1993\\_into\\_the\\_wild\\_1.html](http://outside.away.com/outside/features/1993/1993_into_the_wild_1.html)) On Friday, we go over this test and watch the video associated with how this magazine article became my favorite book and then a very good movie entitled Into the Wild.

On Wednesday, you take an in class grammar "pushups" test so that I can see where you stand. While this doesn't count towards your final grade, the highest grade in each class will be rewarded. You will redo this test the last week of real class to see how much you have improved. Also, for the 2nd class of the week, I touch on journals, Issues in Your Paper, the Right Word Handout, and an introduction to prewriting. I CONTINUE TO STRESS the idea of completing your journals early. If you do them, you get full credit. If you procrastinate, you may lose out on "free points" or you will find yourself bogged down when essays are due. I warn you that while you are very smart and capable, equally smart and capable students have failed this class because they procrastinated doing their journals (and other assignments). Your first 1 (why you are at college) is due ONLINE ONLY prior to the first class of week 2. I do not accept paper replies in an effort to eliminate paper waste - trees are more important than printing every handout and homework assignment down the pike.

I also want a topic and 8 reasons why sent to me on ANGEL online that answers the question "SOMETHING THAT IS EMOTIONALLY VALUABLE TO ME." Don't write the paper yet. I'll teach you how to do that over the coming weeks.

That more than covers everything that we will have time for. What we don't do, we will continue with next week.

Week 2 - I tell you to go online and start looking over the Karate Kid Method of Learning Grammar handout since we begin grammar this week. You will have the choice to print this out and bring it to class or to take your own notes. It's up to you. I suggest printing it out since I know what makes people pass and fail this class. While not all handouts are necessary, this 1, the Big 10, and Issues in Your Paper are. The Journals paper is a book, so keep that on your computer for this class and every other class you ever take. It's a lot of good research topics - really.

If you feel like you have extra time, you can always look at stuff like the Image Handout (a journal option) and 15 Rules for Class and Life if you want to figure yourself out and learn how to be better at school and life. They're not required, but they're there to help you (if not now, then maybe later).

ASAP, I want you to take the opinion quiz on Survey Monkey Dot Com. Your name is not attached to it, so don't worry about being "connected" to your opinions. We will use the data from this at a later date. <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VMFLLNX> This may take a while. Give yourself some time to make it happen (30 minutes).

For the first class of week 3, you should be done with journal 2 (a positive accomplishment). From here on out, you need to finish a journal a week. They will be listed on the ANGEL site with which one is due. You will have 10 of these total, and you need to make sure

they're getting finished and submitted.

Week 3+4+5 - Continue grammar. Discuss the Karate Kid handout. Discuss the Grammar Terms PPT. Begin to discuss What's Wrong With this Sentence PPT. Go over Grammar Errors PPT (which one to be determined). Discuss prewriting. Do the in class outline assignment with National Parks of the Colorado Plateau video. This is worth 50 points, so you will need to be here (DUE DATE PENDING HOW LONG EVERYTHING ELSE TAKES). In addition, you need to work on the outline of your essay at this point. Outline sheets are available online as well.

WEEK 6 - Discuss all things that need to be done to get you going and finishing your essay by the first class of week 7. Continue grammar. I'm going to say this a lot. This is because grammar is everything to your ability to write well. Go over good essay (Shoes) and bad essay (Judging Individuals by Their Music). Discuss final issues to be concerned with for the first essay due on Monday. All essays must be turned in on Monday to redo if you get less than a 90. If you do not turn in during our class on Monday (all excuses are equal), then you will not get a redo. If you do not turn this essay in by the following Monday, you cannot pass the class as the rules for my class specify doing all 3 essays at a minimum to pass the class. You will be advised to drop the class or face failure (an F). Students will also be assigned to create a topic for their persuasive research essay, which will be due (submitted on ANGEL) on Monday with a brief summary of what they hope to prove in research as opposed to just telling me straight up (report). Since this is persuasive, you have to find something researchable to persuade me on (not why you should have an A).

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