**Eleventh Grade Research Paper**

You will select a topic, with my approval, upon which you will write a 3-5 page research paper. The **essay is worth 100 points**. The **research process assignments are worth 145 points** with the **total project cashing in at 245 points.** Essay must be submitted to turnitin.com for credit.

**Research Paper Essay Requirements**

1. Your essay MUST include the following:

1. your own, original title.
2. Final, formal outline.
3. The essay itself; 3-5 double spaced pages
* Font size twelve, Times New Roman, Helvetica, Georgia, or similar font
* Minimum of six direct quotes
* Citations should comprise no more than 20% of your essay
1. works cited page.
	* Minimum of four entries.
	* Works cited, and all text must be MLA formatted

2. This essay is **due Friday, March 20, 2020**

* + One letter grade deduction for each day late.
	+ Project must be double-spaced and typed.

3. This paper will be scored with the Pennsylvania Domain Scoring Guide

**Focus Correction Area Checklist**

If any of the following are present in your essay, you will receive a **point deduction** for each transgression:

1. Run-on sentence. There are only two types: fused sentence and comma splice
2. Misplaced commas. Commas are to mark phrase and clause boundaries. **Commas are not to mark pauses in a sentence!!**
3. Ambiguous pronoun referent. Ex; He crashed his car into the shed and wrecked it. Which “it” was wrecked—the shed or the car?
4. Titles—yours gets nothing. All other peoples’/author’s titles get italics
5. Properly constructed works cited page
6. Proper parenthetical citation
7. Pronoun case third person only. No first person ( I, me, my) nor second person (you)

**This paper is worth 100 points**

Other Requirements

* **These are graded separately from your essay**
* **These are considered homework assignments and will not be accepted late.**

**1.** Approve topic: **Due** **Tuesday, March, 3, 2020**

Assignment worth 10 points

2. Source cards: **Due Thursday,** **March 5, 2020**

* minimum of six 3 x 5 cards
* Assignment worth 20 points

3. Preliminary outline and minimum of six note cards **due** **Tuesday, March 10, 2020**

* Outline worth 20 points
* Note cards (6) worth 30 points.

4. Propose thesis. **due Wednesday, March 11, 2020**

* I must approve thesis
* Worth 20 points

5. Final outline. **due Friday, March 13, 2020**

* Worth 25 points

6. Rough draft. **due Wednesday, March 18, 2020**

* Should be typed or very clearly written, or typed.
* Worth 20 points

**These six process assignments are worth 145 points.**