

RECOMMENDED RESEARCH PAPER

FILM

VS.

RESEARCH

- 'IMAGINATIVE' TEXT
- NOT 'TRUE' / 'UNTRUE'
- DOES PORTRAY 'A MIND' / 'ROBOTS/AI' (OR HUMAN CLONING) IN ACCURATE / INACCURATE OPTIMISTIC / PESSIMISTIC WAY
- READ ~3 KEY SCENES FOR EVIDENCE (DON'T JUST RE-TELL THE PLOT!)
- USE NEW SKILLS IN 'READING FILM STILLS' - 'CLOSE READING' IS SOMETHING WE DO IN THE HUMANITIES

"RESEARCH"

TOPICS!

- 1) Browse to our COURSE WIKI:
eng103lagcc.pbworks.com
- 2) Click on Research Topic Ideas
- 3) Click on Research Paper Idea #2 --
Portraying Human Minds in Film

THE FACTS ABOUT

- A MENTAL ILLNESS / CONDITION
SCHIZOPHRENIA / AUTISM /
CTE ETC. (AND OPTIONALLY
THE BIOGRAPHICAL FACTS OF
THE REAL PERSON BEHIND THE
FILM)
- THE PORTRAYAL OF SCHIZOPHRENIA IN
A BEAUTIFUL MIND (JIM NASH)
- THE PORTRAYAL OF AUTISM IN
TEMPLE GRANDIN (TEMPLE GRANDIN)
- THE PORTRAYAL OF CHRONIC TRAUMATIC
ENCEPHALOPATHY IN CONCUSSION (DR.
(CTE) BENNET O'MALU)

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- 3) Click on Research Paper Idea #3 (Robots) -OR- Research Paper Idea #4 (Clones)

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THE FACTS ABOUT....

- ROBOTS / ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI)

- HUMAN CLONING

'OPTIMISTIC / PESSIMISTIC' ABOUT THIS TECHNOLOGY?

- WILL IT BE POSITIVE / NEGATIVE / PROMISE / PERIL FOR HUMANS?

- THE PORTRAYAL OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

IN THE TERMINATOR

THE MATRIX

STAR WARS: A NEW HOPE

2001

I, ROBOT

(ETC.)

CHOOSE 1
FILM
ONLY!

- THE PORTRAYAL OF HUMAN CLONING

IN THE ISLAND

NEVER LET ME GO

A NUMBER

RESEARCH

GO "BEYOND GOOGLE"!

USE LIBRARY DATABASES!

USE -

- 2 ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES → GALE VIRTUAL RESEARCH LIBRARY
- 2 JOURNALISTIC ARTICLES → NEXIS UNI / LEXIS NEXIS
- 2 SCHOLARLY ARTICLES → EBSCOhost / JSTOR
- 1 BOOK / BOOK CHAPTER → CUNY+ CUNY LIBRARY CATALOG
- 1 YOUR FILM → (GET A COPY FROM YOUR INSTRUCTOR - BRING A USB DRIVE w/ 800 MB FREE) (OR USE A STREAMING SERVICE)

ABOUT 8 SOURCES
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 REQUIRED DISTRIBUTION

GET EXPERIENCE DOING COLLEGE-LEVEL RESEARCH  
 \*WE GO OVER EACH IN THE ACTIVITIES (1ST FEW WEEKS)  
 TO USE DATABASE HYBRID

**\*\*TO FIND THE RIGHT DATABASES FOR THIS COURSE, USE OUR 'RESEARCH SPEED DIAL':**

[research.blogsite.org](http://research.blogsite.org)

| RESEARCH 'SPEED DIAL'                                               |                                                                           |                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Newspapers and Magazines                                            |                                                                           | Books                                                                                     |
| Nexis Uni                                                           | The New York Times<br>1857-2008+<br><i>ProQuest Historical Newspapers</i> | CUNY+<br><br>Books at CUNY (all campuses)                                                 |
| LexisNexis (OLD VERSION)                                            |                                                                           |                                                                                           |
| Dictionary and Encyclopedia Articles                                |                                                                           | Historical Photos                                                                         |
| Gale Virtual Reference Library<br>200+ encyclopedias & dictionaries |                                                                           | Historical Photos from the Queens Collection of the <i>La Guardia and Wagner Archives</i> |
| Scholarly Articles                                                  |                                                                           |                                                                                           |
| EBSCOhost<br>ACADEMIC SEARCH COMPLETE<br>Scholarly Articles         | JSTOR<br>Scholarly Articles (> 6 years old)                               | Project MUSE<br>Scholarly Articles (in the Humanities and Social Sciences)                |
| Citing Your Sources -- Build a 'Works Cited' Page (in MLA Style)    |                                                                           |                                                                                           |
| MLA CITATION ASSISTANT<br>Format your cites in a web browser        | bibme                                                                     | EasyBib                                                                                   |

# STEPS / MILESTONES FOR YOUR RESEARCH PAPER - STEPS / MILESTONES

- MILESTONE #1** - TOPIC WRITE-UP (< 1 PAGE)  
+ 3 SOURCES
- MILESTONE #2** - PAGE ONE WITH THESIS (1 PAGE)  
+ 5 SOURCES (WITH ANNOTATIONS)
- MILESTONE #3** - PRELIMINARY DRAFT (INCLUDES PEER EDITING)  
4-6 PAGES  
7-9 SOURCES (WITH ANNOTATIONS)
- MILESTONE #4** - FINAL DRAFT  
6+ PAGES = 1,500 WORDS (1-2000 WORDS)  
~ 7-9 SOURCES  
+ SOURCE FOLDER  
(1 PAGE FROM ~6 SOURCES)