

Week 5 – Major Online Activity – Blogging About 2 of Your Research Sources

• Goals and Objectives

(What this online activity is for. What you will be learning.)

This week's online activity will let you read and share two of your research sources with the class using your blog on our Course Wiki (eng103lagcc@pbworks.com)

- 1) You will read, summarize (describe) two of your research sources from any of the online databases that you have been using to find sources for your Research Paper.

****PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR FILM AS ONE OF YOUR SOURCES HERE -- IT'S THE 'MAIN TEXT' FOR YOUR PAPER -- NOT AN 'EXTERNAL' / SECONDARY SOURCE ('RESEARCH').**

- 2) You will get practice using your Blog Page on our Course Wiki at eng103lagcc.pbworks.com. We will be using this feature of our course later in the semester, so we will start with this post.
- 3) By completing the online quiz/questionnaire this week, we can survey the class and find out which databases (like the Gale Virtual Reference Library, LexisNexis, EBSCOhost Academic Search Complete or JSTOR) have been the most accessible for the class. (This will help us target resources that we haven't yet used and incorporated into our research in upcoming classes.)

• Software and Web Resources

(The software and web resources you will need to complete this exercise.)

→NOTE: All web resources for each are always posted under **This Week's Work** and Course Documents on course website: eng103.lagcconline.com for the week.

- ☐ 1) A web browser. (Note: These exercises will not work on a tablet or smart phone because you need to open multiple windows. Please use a desktop or laptop web browser for best results for all these online activities!)
- ☐ 2) You Wiki account (user / password) for your Personal Research Page and Blog Page on eng103lagcc.pbworks.com.
- ☐ 3) A link to our **Weekly Quiz / Questionnaire** for the week:

<https://forms.gle/coUHwDhkKqcrt4758>.

• Tasks

(Check off each task as you work through each step.)

☐ **Step 1** – Go over this handout for a few minutes especially the blog post prompt.

☐ **Step 2** – As you begin your work on Milestone #2 – Page One and 3 Sources, choose 2 sources to read carefully. Make sure you understand them. Take notes. Be ready to answer the blog prompt (see Step 7, below).

☐ **Step 3** – Navigate to our Course Wiki at:

eng103lagcc.pbworks.com

☐ **Step 4** – Locate your Name and then click on the **Blog Posts** link in the right column:

eng103lagcc.pbworks.com

Personal Research Pages and Blog Posts

Every student in class has a Personal Research Page and a page for Blog Posts on our class wiki eng103lagcc.pbworks.com, which will let you contribute content for several online assignments including a page dedicated to documenting your Research Paper Topic and sources, plus Blog Posts on several topics.

STUDENT	PERSONAL RESEARCH PAGES	BLOG POSTS
1) Adeniyi A.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
2) Stephanie B.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
3) Tenzin B.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
4) Alexis B.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
5) Rafin C.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
6) Wanda C.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
7) Natalia D.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
8) Valentina F.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
9) Charity F.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
10) Jaden H.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
11) Courtney H.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
12) Tania K.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
13) Jennish K.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
14) Ricaldo L.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
15) Hailey M.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
16) Juan M.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
17) Chayanne O.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
18) Joshua P.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
19) Joel P.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
20) Emma R.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
21) Ana Z.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts
22) Wageh Z.	Personal Research Page	Blog Posts

**FIND YOUR NAME
AND CLICK ON THE**

Blog Posts

**LINK NEXT TO YOUR
NAME TO VIEW AND
EDIT YOUR BLOG
POSTS PAGE!**

☐ **Step 5** – Click on Your Blog Posts Page:

Here is a sample page for a Sample Student:

VIEW EDIT

★ **Sample Student's Blog Posts**

last edited by Prof. Dragan 4 weeks ago

• **[Blog Post #1 Title -- Change This]**

[TODO -- Your 1st Blog Post goes here. Respond to the blog assignment prompt. Use complete sentences, separate paragraphs and capitalization. PROOFREAD YOUR WORK. You can edit a post after you Save it. Remember to follow the recommended word counts for full credit.]

• **[Blog Post #2 Title -- Change This]**

[TODO -- Your 2nd Blog Post goes here. Respond to the blog assignment prompt. Use complete sentences, separate paragraphs and capitalization. PROOFREAD YOUR WORK. You can edit a post after you Save it. Remember to follow the recommended word counts for full credit.]

• **[Blog Post #3 Title -- Change This]**

[TODO -- Your 3rd Blog Post goes here. Respond to the blog assignment prompt. Use complete sentences, separate paragraphs and capitalization. PROOFREAD YOUR WORK. You can edit a post after you Save it. Remember to follow the recommended word counts for full credit.]

• **[Blog Post #4 Title -- Change This]**

[TODO -- Your 4th Blog Post goes here. Respond to the blog assignment prompt. Use complete sentences, separate paragraphs and capitalization. PROOFREAD YOUR WORK. You can edit a post after you Save it. Remember to follow the recommended word counts for full credit.]

☐ **Step 6** – Click on the Edit tab and Log In.

Use the same e-mail address and password that you used to get to your Personal Research Page.
It's the same login!

☐ **Step 7** – Once you are logged in, complete a post in the section marked **[Blog Post #1 Title – Change This]** with your response to the following prompt:

Write a 300 to 350-word post on your blog prompt below:

This post is designed to help you read and understand two of your sources for your research paper. Writing this post will help you create you list of annotated sources, as well as do the research, which is needed for Milestone #2 and later milestones for this project. The first step is to locate and read two of your sources for your research paper using the links to the online databases in the LaGuardia Library. When searching, remember you should look for full-text articles (including PDF files). It's a good idea to print out and also save your articles to a USB drive or similar.

- First, write about 3 sentences describing the topic of your research paper so that we know what you are researching.

Try to be clear on the focus of the paper. The Portrayal of [YOUR TOPIC] in [YOUR MOVIE TITLE], answer some of the following questions for your two sources in two paragraphs (at least 125 words each):

- What is the author, title and publication (journal) of your source? Where did you find this source (what database? The Gale Virtual Reference Library, Nexis Uni, Academic Search Complete, JSTOR etc.?) What relevant information does this source provide? What is the ‘argument’ or ‘spin’ of the author of this source? What perspective or information does it add your paper? Why did you choose this source (and not others?) Why is this source fit your research paper topic? YOUR POST SHOULD BE CLEAR ON WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION YOUR SOURCE CONTAINS. SHOW THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS SOURCE WITH DETAILS AND SPECIFICS. USE AT LEAST ONE SHORT QUOTE AND CITE FOR EACH OF YOUR TWO SOURCES.

- (Repeat these questions for your second source. Make sure you give details for each source that show you have read and thought about what your sources are about.

Please use 3 short paragraphs (called ‘chunking’ in 21st-century online writing) to organize your answers for this post, not one big paragraph.

Use capitalization, complete sentences and proofread for spelling and grammar.

- ☐ **Step 8** – Once you are finished with your post, remember to click the Save button at the bottom of the page, or your work will not be saved.

NOTE: YOU WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO EDIT AND SAVE YOUR POST SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE IT IS ‘FINISHED.’

- ☐ **Step 9** – Answer the SHORT ONLINE QUIZ/QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE WEEK after you have written your post. The link is here:

<https://forms.gle/coUHwDhkKqcrt4758>

This very short online survey isn’t the ‘real work’ for this week. That’s your Blog Post, but try to complete both steps if you can for full credit!

Total Time: About 60 min. (plus research time, which is part of the work for Milestone #2 which is due in 2+ weeks on 10/28.

DUE DATE: TUE., 10/18 (11:59 pm)**