

Preliminary Draft of Research Paper

The first draft of your paper is due Week 8, beginning of class.

This week you need to continue collecting research for your topic.

OBJECTIVES

1. Determine 3 patterns of development for your supportive paragraphs that will support your thesis statement.
 - Refer to pages 62-75 in the *Longman Writer*.
 - These paragraphs are not finalized writing for your paper. The pattern of development you choose to follow can be altered later in the writing process.
 - Cite your references. It is important to practice this procedure.
2. Determine what topic sentences support your thesis statement.
3. Provide evidence for each topic sentence. Your evidence should be:
 - relevant and unified
 - specific
 - adequate
 - accurate
 - representative
4. Your paper must be a casual analysis.
5. Include introduction and conclusion paragraphs within the 5.
6. Include parenthetical citations and a Works Cited page, using the MLA styles.

7. Proof your Work

8. Print and turn in Week 8.

Check List

Before you submit the assignment, check your work.

- Did you use the standard heading format?
- Does the paper have the correct margins?

- Did you include a thesis statement in the introductory paragraph?
- Does the thesis statement limit your topic?
- Does the thesis statement incorporate your opinion?

- Does each topic sentence relate to the thesis statement?
- Do the topic sentences communicate your main points?

- Check your paragraphs:
 - Do the supporting details explain fully what you want to say?
 - Does the tone fit the audience?
 - Is the organizational strategy logical?
 - Do the 5 paragraphs back up the intentions of your thesis?
 - Do all secondary sentences support the topic sentence?
 - Do your sentences contain any spelling or grammatical errors?
 - Are your sentences complete?
 - Did you use a minimum of three passive verbs?

- Is your introductory paragraph clear and concise?
- Did you include a strong concluding paragraph?

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