Research Paper - Honors III

Overview: The research paper is intended as an in-depth study of a literary subject that relies on the research of published scholars. Your research should expose you to a wide variety of sources. You will organize published research in order to support a specific thesis. The vast majority of your research material should be paraphrased and documented, though you are required to incorporate at least one and no more than three block quotes. You will not offer a personal analysis or interpretation, unless, upon conclusion, the research paper requires you as the writer to take a position. Transitional material may be in your own words.

A research paper is not a report. It requires the ability to organize a great deal of material from numerous published sources into an organized and coherent final document.

In order to avoid a paper that reads as a long list of ideas, address fewer ideas in more detail and organize appropriately.

Your paper should suggest an argument that the reader is free to support or reject based upon the information you have presented.

FOLLOW THESE DIRECTIONS EXACTLY

Length: 15-page minimum
Title Page: 1 page
Outline: 1 page
Text: 12 or more pages
Works Cited: 1 page

Outline or Works Cited pages that exceed one page will only be counted as one page each.

Sources: A minimum of 15 cited in-text sources (in other words, each one of at least 15 separate sources must be parenthetically cited in your text and listed in the Works Cited).

Format: -Cover Page (No page number) Title & Your Name 1/3--Class/Teach/Date 2/3
          -Outline (Enumerate as i bottom-center).
          -Body (Page 1 is the first page of the body).
          -Works Cited (Page numbers continue - Entries alphabetized in correct MLA style).
          -Header: Begins on first text page. Your last name followed by page number.
           Headers continue through the Works Cited page. **They are not on the cover or outline page.**

Font: Use only a Times New Roman, non-bold, 12-point font for the entire paper, including the cover page. No headings, or sub-heads should appear in your paper. No bold type is to be used anywhere in the paper. No outlined lists should appear anywhere in the text.

Spacing: Double-spaced throughout. No added spacing between paragraphs or for emphasis.

Documentation Style: Correct MLA style for each individual citation.

NO INTERNET *SPECIFIC* SOURCES ALLOWED UNLESS APPROVED BY MR. HARRIS. *All* of your citations must come from books, articles, and journals. If the full text of a book, article, or journal may be found on the internet, then you must cite it in the correct format for electronic resources on Purdue OWL. **However**, literary criticism articles from *Academic Search Premier* **are** encouraged so long as they are properly cited using Purdue OWL's *MLA Formatting and Style Guide*. **DO NOT USE CITATION GENERATORS** as they often either cite incorrectly or corrupt formatting. Citing an article from *Academic Search Premier* should align with Purdue OWL's "An Article from an Online Database" rules.

Examples of in-text parenthetical citations:

> Thomas' themes are the elemental ones: birth, sex, energy, and death (Bell 250).

> According to Bell, Thomas' themes are elemental: birth, sex, energy, and death (250).

> As Brown notes, Thomas's themes are elemental (qtd. in *Bell Jar* 250).

> His themes vary immensely (Thomas 35).

> His ideas are dense (Thomas 86).

Use of Quotes*:* Your goal should be to paraphrase whenever possible. A short, direct quote should only be used if paraphrasing would alter the meaning of the passage. You are only allowed to use three block quotes to be used as illustration or example. **This paper is not cut and paste**.

These formatting requirements are not negotiable. Under no circumstances are you to turn in a research paper that in any way deviates from the formatting requirements.

Works Cited is Works Cited, not Bibliography, Sources Used, Works Used, or whatever else you might be inclined to use.

Deadlines are absolute! Mr. Harris will not accept essays after the final due date. You have over six months to prepare this essay, so there is absolutely no excuse for not meeting the deadline.

Total Points: 1000
Due Dates: Thursday March 7th, 2019
> **100 Points Extra Credit: Feb. 15th, 2019**
> **50 Points Extra Credit: March 1st, 2019**

Name: _____

QUIZ

1. Which one of the following is an acceptable form of a parenthetical citation?

A. (Smith, page 79)
B. (Smith, 79)
C. (Smith 79)
D. (SMITH 79)

2. Which is the only heading to be used for the page that indicates your source material?

A. Footnotes
B. Bibliography
C. Sources
D. References
E. Works Cited

3. Which one of the following is the correct format for a page header?

A. FIRST NAME, 9
B. Last Name, 9
C. Last Name 9
D. Last Name-9
E. First Name: 9

4. Page headers begin

A. on the title page.
B. on the outline abstract page.
C. on the first page of the body.
D. on the works cited page.

5. Page headers are found

A. on the upper right.
B. on the upper left.
C. centered at the bottom
D. anywhere they look good.

6. You must use at least one block quote and are permitted to use up to _____.

A. 2
B. 3
C. 4
D. 5
E. 6

7. Which one of the following is the correct header format?

A. SMITH 9
B. Smith, 9
C. Smith 9
D. Smith – 9
E. Smith

8. True or False: You can use sparknotes, Wikipedia, or basically any web source in your essay.

9. To properly cite research material, you should …

A. use Microsoft Word's generator
B. just give up and turn it in without it.
C. use an online generator
D. expect Mr. Harris to do it for you
E. ask Mr. Harris for help when necessary, but rely primarily on Purdue OWL's MLA Guide as part of your grade is based on your ability to use resources.

10. True or False: Mr. Harris will totally accept late research essays.