

## PROJECT 3 (SLO) ASSIGNMENT SHEET 2018

For your third project (a five-paragraph essay), you may choose exemplification strategies (also known as illustration). *Exemplification Topics Assignment:*

- Write an essay in which you illustrate the fact that the American political scene has entered an unprecedented stage in history. **This is not persuasive or political**
- Write an essay in which you illustrate the idea that advertising is ubiquitous and has permeated every aspect of America's life.
- Write an essay in which you illustrate the idea that the U. S is now more polarized that it was 8-10 years ago.
- Write an essay in which you illustrate ways that the workplace still discriminates against women. *This is an illustrative/ exemplification essay—not argumentative.*
- Write an essay in which you illustrate ways that one can save money by repairing items in the household.
- Give examples of how overseas travel can benefit a person's outlook and world view.
- Give examples of how the predictions made in a Dystopian novel such as *1984* or *Brave New World* have been realized in today's world.
- Give examples of ways that one can refresh the curb appeal of the home.
- Write an example essay of how fast food and upscale restaurants are responding to the public concern about healthy eating
- Write an example essay about rock stars or rock trends that have changed the direction of rock music—or you could discuss another genre if you wish such as country
- Write an essay in which you provide examples of how the problem of homelessness is silently atrocious social problem
- Write an essay in which you illustrate the concept that todays' parents have parenting practices that will prove harmful for their children in the future.
- Write an illustrative essay in which you give examples of ways that television falsely portrays American families.
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Now, regardless of your chosen rhetorical strategy, you must adhere to several requirements: Your essay must have at least five well-developed paragraphs and have between 500– 700 words.

You must submit/ get approved outline before starting on this essay

- Write only in 3<sup>rd</sup> person, using formal academic language. Review the strategies for Writing in Mature Academic voice.
- **Essay grammatical emphasis: On this essay, at the revision state intentionally go back and eliminate instances of passive voice.**
  - **○ Revise sentence constructions that start with “here are” and “It is.” See the handout on how to reduce these grammatical errors.**
- The introduction must have an attention-getting hook and effectively introduce your thesis statement, which should be the **LAST** sentence of the introduction.

- Each body paragraph must have an easily identifiable topic sentence (generally the first or second sentence of the body paragraph), substantial major and minor details, and transitional words or phrases indicative of the rhetorical strategy you have chosen. (Remember; each rhetorical strategy has its own set of common transitional words or phrases.) While you must indicate in your heading which rhetorical strategy you chose, I should have no problem determining the rhetorical strategy as I read.
  - **Use the transitional devices for the strategy that you select.** This is a feature that I am assessing on this essay: *Pg. 211 for Exemplification Pg.158 for descriptive*
  - You are not required to use a source on this essay; however, some of the topics may require the validation of facts/ statistics—You must document this and ANY knowledge that is not common knowledge. ASK if you have a question and as always, I will assist you with documentation.
  - You must format your essay using MLA style.
    - Be sure to use one-inch margins all the way around (Word default), true double spacing throughout your entire document (Remove the extra spacing I showed you in class.), the Times New Roman, 12 point font size, and an inserted page number preceded by your last name and one space. Please see the MLA websites listed in Angel if you do not know how to format an MLA style essay.
  - - You do not have to incorporate any source quotations in this essay; however, if you do, you still must use correct MLA parenthetical citation and work(s) cited page formatting.
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- *A word about plagiarism: If you copy someone else's words or change only one or two words or copy someone else's ideas with providing a parenthetical citation and quotation marks when applicable, you will receive a zero on this essay. This includes **even one line** of someone else's ideas or words. It also includes someone else's thesis or main ideas.*
  - *Submitting an essay you previously submitted in another class is also plagiarism.*