

WP1: Reflection on a Piece of Writing

For this assignment, you'll be asked to look at a single piece of writing that you've done in the past. From this piece of writing, I'd like you to come to a conclusion about who you are as a writer. For this assignment you will:

- Choose a single piece of writing that you've done in the past. Try to choose something that you think represents who you are as a writer. This piece of writing could come from various genres: a class essay, a short story, an email, a social networking site profile, etc.
- Consider the various ways that this piece of writing represents who you are as a writer. Consider, for example: genre, purpose, audience, writing process, etc. Explain how these things represent who you are as a writer.
- **Draw a claim about who you are as a writer** based on your analysis of the piece of writing that you've chosen. For this, I am looking for a detailed claim that represents you and your writing style.
- Support your claim with several examples from the piece of writing or the writing process for that piece of writing. I suggest that you use quotes, screen captures, and links. Also consider including anecdotes about your writing process. Try to find strong evidence that supports your claim directly.

Minimum Length:

- **First drafts** must be a minimum of **800 words**.
- **Revised and final drafts** must be a minimum of **1000 words** and should include a **200-word** reflection letter.

Reflection Letter: Reflection letters will need to be included in the revised and final drafts. In these letters, write about what you have changed in your new draft and what you are struggling with. Consider including information about your writing process.

Audience: The instructor and your peers within the class.

Additional requirements: All drafts must be typed, double-spaced, and in Times New Roman 12-point font. Please use 1-inch margins. All documents should be posted in the My Docs section of MyASU. Files must be named with your name, the writing project number, and the draft (i.e. "Ryan Shepherd WP1 First Draft").

Your assignment will be graded on the following:

- **Clarity and Depth of Claim:** The claim that you make about who you are as a writer is clear, explicitly stated, and detailed.
- **Focus on Who You Are as a Writer:** Who you are as a writer is the clear focus of the paper. You do not go off on unrelated tangents or write about things that do not help support your central claim.
- **Analysis of Piece of Writing:** You draw out clear evidence from your piece of writing to support your claim. Your analysis is convincing and believable.
- **Adequate Support for Your Claim:** You have used evidence to support your central claim, be it in the form of quotes, screen captures, links, stories, or other viable

evidence. This evidence clearly helps to make your central claim stronger. You take time to explain how this evidence supports your claim.

- **Content Organization:** You have organized the content of your writing project in a reasonable way. Your information is easy to understand, and your points are easy to follow. There is both an introduction and a conclusion. The content is organized so as to present the information effectively. Paragraphs are ordered in such a way that they cannot be reordered at random, but instead provide logical transitions between ideas.
- **Attention to Assignment:** You adhere to the assignment as presented above, including main objectives, word count, attention to audience, and the additional requirements. You clearly understand what the assignment is asking you to do and are attempting to do it.
- **Manuscript preparation:** You have made changes between drafts that reflect attention to both instructor and peer comments. You have made an effort to improve your paper.

First drafts are due on **Thursday, May 23rd by 8:15 PM.**

Revised drafts are due on **Wednesday, May 29th by 6:10 PM.**

Final drafts are due on **Thursday, May 30th by 8:15 PM.**