Research Paper Requirements

World Literature

The time has come to embark upon our journey of research. We will focus our research around the novel chosen at the beginning of the semester. The assignments below will help you keep all students on track in order to participate in every part of the writing process. If students fall behind in the process, they will be behind in the research paper.

Key Requirements

- 4 Sources (1 primary source and 3 critical articles)
- List of Works Cited entries with corresponding quotes (on source cards template)
- Source Citations documented on Source Chart must include AT LEAST:
  - 8 pieces of proof (some—NOT ALL—can be paraphrases), 2 from each source

Final product must be a 3-page minimum, 5-page maximum paper in MLA format. The required Works Cited page is not included in the length requirements.

Important Assignments in the Process

- Thesis
- Brainstorm
- Sources Citations Chart
- Peer Edit
- Rough Draft
- Final Essay

Research Topic

This research paper will allow you a bit of insight into how you will be required to write a college-level paper. Therefore, you will select a topic that interests you regarding the novel you chose. If you have a topic you are unsure about, ask your teacher. Some possible topics are listed below:

- Compare and Contrast
- Theme
- Social Issue
- Character Change

Ex: In *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare, the tragic deaths of the young lovers stem from the unfair societal expectations of Juliet as a female in the 1300’s.