

Assignment Plan

Module 2: Reading

Monday, October 7 – Friday, October 18

Topics: Rhetoric. Rhetorical Situation. Rhetorical Essay.
Reading for Content, Summarizing, Paraphrasing

Lectures:

- ☐ Module 2 Overview (Discussion Board, Readings, Rhetoric)
- ☐ Rhetoric
- ☐ The Rhetorical Situation (reading & writing rhetorically)
- ☐ Rhetorical Essay Assignment
- ☐ Formatting MLA papers
- ☐ Reading Academic Writing
- ☐ Paraphrasing and Summarizing
- ☐ Summary Assignment

Readings:

- ☐ *HE*: 198–203 (Rhetorical Situation), 249–53 (Evaluating Sources),
HE: 260–63 (Paraphrasing and Summarizing)
- ☐ “The Utility and Ubiquity of Taboo Words” by Timothy Jay
- ☐ “Superman and Me” by Sherman Alexie
- ☐ *WIT*: 1–8, 22–31 (Summary), 37–42 (Critical Reading)

Discussion Board:

DB 2: [20 pts] Post due 8 Oct. @ 8 p.m. Two replies due 10 Oct. @ 8 p.m.

- ☐ Post (First name A–L): In 100-200 words,* write a response to “Superman and Me.” Be sure to pay special attention to the Rhetorical Situation (especially the author and the credibility of the article). You may agree/disagree with Alexie, but be sure to explain your reasoning.
- ☐ Post (First name M–Z): In 100-200 words,* write a response to “The Utility and Ubiquity of Taboo Words.” Be sure to pay special attention to the Rhetorical Situation (especially the audience and how that affects the use/appropriateness of “taboo” language in the article). Explain your reasoning.
- ☐ Response: In 50-150 words each,* respond to two classmates' posts.

Assignments:

- ☐ Rhetorical Essay [50 pts] Due 11 Oct. @ 8 p.m.
- ☐ *WIT* Quiz 1 [10 pts] Due 16 Oct. @ 8 p.m.
- ☐ Summary [50 pts] Due 18 Oct. @ 8 p.m.

* Video Options for Discussion Boards: On most Discussion Boards, you may elect to leave a video post/response rather than a written one (duration between 45 seconds and 3 minutes). View the “Start Here!” video for instructions.