

Entering Senior English Research Assignment
DUE: September 14th 11:59PM on Google Classroom

Your Task: For the purpose of this assignment, you are to research **one** of the following topics below. After you have researched and determined your stance on the topic, you are to write an **10-paragraph research paper**.

Within this essay you are required to compare and contrast two characters from any novel you have read within your high school career to support your thesis.

- The significance of cultural identity on an individual's mindsets and behavior.
- The role of culture in people from mixed origins in determining individual identity.
- The link between culture and gender roles.
- The importance of workforce and community diversity.
- The impact of cultural diversity on society.
- The benefits of cultural diversity in the classroom.
- The effects that individual cultural identity has on the perception of other cultures.

Be sure to:

1. Create a strong thesis statement that indicates which essay topic you chose and provides a roadmap of how you will explore the topic.
2. **ONLY** use **one** of the topics that have been posted above.
3. Define terms like culture, diversity, identity as found in the topics above.
4. **4 paragraphs** regarding the topic you chose.
5. **4 paragraphs** comparing and contrasting **two** different characters to emphasize your research. *You are NOT simply summarizing the stories/characters you are analyzing how they are relevant to your research. Remember when comparing that you are placing the emphasis on similarities and when contrasting you are placing the emphasis on differences.*
6. Use strong and thorough evidence from the texts to support your analysis. **DO NOT USE MORE THAN 4 DIRECT QUOTES.**
7. Maintain a formal style of writing.
8. Follow the conventions of MLA and standard written English including having a MLA Works Cited Page.
9. Include an introduction and conclusion.
10. Body paragraphs should be between 7-10 sentences in length and begin with a topic sentence.