

SITE REPORT #2B

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Based on your observations at the Brooklyn Museum, develop a complex research question about the relationship between 1 piece of art that you viewed and a social or political issue.

Remember, your research question should be specific and researchable.

Research Question:

What does “The Dinner Party” feminists and the submissiveness of feminism have on the United States? How is feminism represented through the work of art?

Find 2 sources. *For this report, one of your sources MUST be an academic journal article. Your other source can be a news article, internet source, or book.

1 source should have to do with the artwork, artist, artistic style, or some element of the work you chose. For example, if you were interested in learning more about realistic photography depicting women engaged in domestic activities, you might search for sources about “domestic imagery AND photography” or “realistic photography” rather than sources about the specific artist.

1 source should be about the social / political issue that is articulated in your research question. This source may or may not have to do with art.

Write an MLA citation for each source:

Source 1

Gerhard, Jane. "Judy Chicago and the Practice of 1970s Feminism." *Feminist Studies*, vol. 37, no. 3, Fall 2011, pp. 591–618. EBSCOhost, citytech.ezproxy.cuny.edu:2048/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=70557242&site=ehost-live&scope=site.

Source 2

Swirsky, Jill M., and D. J. Angelone. "Equality, Empowerment, and Choice: What Does Feminism Mean to Contemporary Women?" *Journal of Gender Studies*, vol. 25, no. 4, Aug. 2016, pp. 445–460. EBSCOhost, doi:10.1080/09589236.2015.1008429.

Describe the process you used to find these sources including any keywords and the specific search engine or tool you used to search.

The first step I took was I visited the City Tech library website. Then, I clicked on articles to be able to search a variety of categories. I searched the name of the artwork: "Dinner Party" AND Judy Chicago. I clicked through the first few results and decided to chose my first source, because it had a great amount of information on the artist and her work. For the second article, I searched feminism OR feminist OR women's studies OR gender roles AND feminism AND United States, on the City Tech library.

In a sentence or 2, describe the main point of each source. Then consider: how do these sources address all or part of your research question?

Source 1

The first source describes how the artist, Judy Chicago, created the literal and metaphorical meaning behind her art work. Chicago is a feminist and the article discusses her theories and artwork, from the artwork presented in her classroom in the 1970's to art installations such as "The Dinner Party." This source addresses part of my research question because it relates to how feminism is represented through the artists' work.

Source 2

The second source discusses what feminists do in order to have equality for social genders and having people be identified as a feminist. The article also discusses the general desire for equality, empowerment and freedom women deserve, just how society has been more patriarchal throughout time. This source addresses part of my research question because it relates to how gender inequality has been an ongoing cycle and feminists are still fighting for it.

Describe ways the two sources you chose are similar and different. Would it be difficult to integrate these two sources into a single writing assignment? Why or why not?

The two sources are similar because both of the articles discuss the idea of feminism and ways to represent it to society in order to be more involved. Jane discusses in the article "Judy Chicago and the Practice of 1970s Feminism, that Judy Chicago expresses her ideas and concepts of feminism through her works of art and that which develops a conversation. Swirsky discusses the idea that gender inequality is still occurring and provides statistical information behind her reasoning. Both of the sources can be integrated and related due to the fact that they discuss women identifying themselves as a feminists, whether it be through their own experience or them being exposed to others being gender discriminated. It wouldn't be difficult to integrate these two sources into a writing assignment because their topic of discussion on feminism is highly related and expresses the same concept of feminism just in different ways.

What other sources or further information would you need to answer your question? Where would you look for that information?

The other sources or further information I would need to answer my question is find articles, or videos such as interviews based on feminists themselves, discussing their thoughts and ideas about the topic. This would develop my answer because it would have a deeper understanding to the question and create a stronger answer. Also, find certain movements about feminism and see how that has developed from history to present time.