

## ENG 1101: Composition I | Essay #1 | Interdisciplinary Dictionary Entry

### **First Draft DUE: Monday 9/16 @ beginning of lab**

- . bring 2 printed, stapled copies to lab

### **Second Draft DUE: Monday 9/23 @ beginning of lab**

- . bring 2 printed, stapled copies to lab
- . bring previous draft with corrections

### **Final Version DUE: Monday 10/21 @ beginning of lab**

- . hand in a printed final version
- . hand in all drafts with corrections
- . hand in Revision Memo

ASSIGNMENT: Although this is all one assignment, there are four distinct parts that must be completed.

[Part I] Give a full dictionary definition of your assigned term.

- . Including: all definitions listed, part of speech, and any origin/etymology information.
- . Use the Merriam-Webster, Oxford, or Cambridge dictionaries.

[Part II] “Translate” the dictionary definition into a “real-world” definition.

- . Think about how people actually use the term in everyday life, similar to UrbanDictionary.com.

[Part III] Write a short essay about how this term relates to community.

- . As discussed in class, there are many ways to define community, so you will first need to select and explain the community you are writing about.
- . Then you will need to describe and evaluate the ways in which you see this term in that particular community.
- . Be sure to include very detailed, specific examples in your analysis.

[Part IV] Create a visual element that shows the term in the community situation discussed in your essay.

- . This can be interpreted widely—from a literal photo of something to a more conceptual drawing of the term.

### DIRECTIONS:

Your essay should be typed in MLA format (double-spaced, 12pt, Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins).

Your name, my name, the course and section number, the due date, and the assignment should all appear on the left side, at the top of your first page (NO cover page). \*The post on OpenLab will have a slightly different format.\*

Length: Part I should be as long as necessary; Part II should be no more than a paragraph (5-10 sentences); Part III should be a short essay of 400-500 words (~1.5pgs); and Part IV should include a description or explanation of the image that is no more than a paragraph (5 – 10 sentences).

Be sure to give Part III of your paper clear structure and logical organization.

The only source you should use for this assignment is one of the dictionaries listed above. Do NOT use any additional outside sources for this assignment.

The essay MUST be edited for grammar, typos, and readability; failure to do so will result in deductions from your grade.

Be sure to incorporate ALL corrections from your DRAFTS.

NO late DRAFTS accepted.

Late FINAL versions will be marked down one letter grade each day, and will not be accepted after 3 days.