ENG1121, E115

Response paper 1 – “Society is in the Mind” summary

Due: Feb 23

In “Society is in the Mind,” Charles Horton Cooley explores the relationship between imagination and realness, as well as the link between personal ideas and society. Cooley’s essay is challenging; as a result, deciphering it requires a good deal of active reading and steady concentration.

For this response paper, you are being asked to summarize one key relationship described in “Society is in the Mind.” (If it helps, you can pretend that your summary will later be used to explain how Cooley’s understanding of the key relationship differs from that of another sociologist.)

Your summary must be at least 1 page but no more than 1.5 pages. You may cite portions of Cooley’s essay in your summary, but be cautious not to rely too heavily on direct quotations.

During the course of your work, it is strongly suggested that you review pages 3-25 of our textbook, to ensure that you understand what a summary entails, as well as review the recommended steps in creating one.