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ESSAY 2: SOURCE-BASED ESSAY ON GLOBALIZATION

ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION

In this essay, you will be investigating the notion of **globalization** and its effects on various aspects of our daily lives as multicultural and international members of our communities. To do so, you will write a source-based essay in which you address one of the questions below. To support your answer to one of these questions, you must cite three out of five of the readings that we have read in class to support your answer.

OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

- Summarize passages from readings to use in support of claims in essay
- Synthesize multiple readings to support claims in essay
- Paraphrase information rather than quote directly
- Incorporate sources effectively using effective reporting verbs
- Cite sources in MLA format for both works cited and in-text citations

GUIDELINES

- Minimum 750 words (maximum 900 words)
- Includes well-written and organized paragraphs
- Includes an introduction, clear thesis, and conclusion
- Double-spaced

DUE DATES

- Workshop Draft Due **Tuesday, February 7 or Wednesday, February 8**
- Second Draft Due **Sunday, February 12 by midnight**
- Third Draft Due one week from receiving Juval's feedback on second draft.

What is a *Source-Based Essay*?

An academic essay, at its most basic, is a formal response to a question. For example, questions such as "what are the differences between your education and your parents' education?" or "how has technology affected our daily lives?" These are the types of questions that you have possibly been asked to address in previous essays. In a simple essay, you support your answers with information, facts, and ideas from your own life and understanding.

As many of you know, however, there are many occasions in which what we know is not enough to answer the question at hand. In such cases, we must research the topic to better answer the question. A source-based essay is precisely that. In response to a formal question, a source-based essay asks you to rely on sources to answer your question. Relying on these

sources also helps to strengthen your essay. When relying on sources, it also becomes important that you cite your sources properly to communicate with your reader where you found your information.

Writing on *Globalization*

In this unit, we will be reading five (5) readings on globalization. We will be working together to ensure that we understand these readings so that we can use them to answer important questions about globalization and its effects on our society. For your essay, your task is to answer one (1) of these questions (**just choose one!**). In answering your chosen question, you must rely on at least three of the five texts that we will read in class to support your answer.

- 1. How does globalization influence health and lifestyle?*
- 2. Which is a more widespread consequence of globalization: cultural diversity or a global monoculture?*
- 3. How has the spread of American lifestyle affected life and culture around the world?*

As you prepare for the essay, spend some time reviewing these three questions. We will explore each question in class and brainstorm to ensure that you understand how to address the question with our readings.



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