

American Literature

Weekly writing assignments

1. Each week you will receive a writing prompt (posted on our class website under the “Weekly Writing” tab). You will write a response and submit to Turnitin. You will receive a completion grade (5 points) for submitting the assignment on time. Each assignment will be due by 9 p.m. on Friday. *If the assignment is submitted late OR does not meet the minimum word count OR does not respond to that week’s prompt, you will receive 0 completion points.*
2. At the end of each 4-week period, you will choose one assignment for me to grade. You will receive 50 points for the graded assignment based on format, content, organization, voice, and mechanics.
3. Each assignment must be completed using MLA format. You are not required to include a works cited page. You may write in the first person point of view.
4. Each assignment must be between 300 and 500 words in length.

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Format (spacing, heading, page numbers)	5 points
Content (examples, specific details)	20 points
Organization (title, transitions)	10 points
Voice (it sounds like you)	10 points
Mechanics (spelling, punctuation, grammar)	5 points

WEEK 3

We venerate people in a wide variety of fields, from athletics and entertainment to military and religious organizations. Write about a public figure you greatly respect, describing and illustrating the qualities and/or abilities that make you respect this person.