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Ms. Lopez

Writing Reflection Journals

Each time an essay is returned to you, carefully reread the essay and comments and reflect. Write a "journal entry" on a piece of paper where you point out *three things that you did especially well in this essay* and *three things that need improvement*. It is important to note your successes as well as your weaknesses and continually strive to improve your writing. To that end, think in terms of the following components:

- * how well you answered the essay question
- * how well you used textual evidence (supporting quotes)
- * your style, word choice, and sentence structure
- * your organization (both within the essay paragraphs and the overall essay itself)
- * your grammar and punctuation
- * your avoidance of subjective 1st or 2nd person pronouns
- * ...and anything else that you can think of that was a part of the writing assignment.

Your reflection journal entry must be written in full sentences and include the graded essay.

Reflection journals are typically due two days after an essay is returned to you. Their due dates will be noted in the Week At A Glance. If you do not submit an essay and therefore cannot write a reflection journal, you will receive a grade of zero on the reflection journal. These responses will be worth 30 points each.