

Research Writing Paper Requirements

Your topic should not be a person. It should be an event or topic which is controversial in nature. Topics must be approved by teacher. Remember, when doing research the goal is to prove a thesis statement.

All papers will be written in MLA format style of research based-writing third person.

Paper must be a minimum of five (5) pages and a maximum of seven (7) pages.

Paper must be double spaced with 1" margin on all sides.

Paper must be in Times New Roman 12 point font.

Any direct quotes, paraphrases, or any information not common knowledge must be cited to avoid plagiarism.

Paper must have an outline according to the prescribed format.

Paper must contain at least 6 in text citations. Three direct quotes and three paraphrases are required. More than the minimum is allowed.

Must include a works cited page of all source material included in research paper.

YOUR THESIS STATEMENT SHOULD BE IN BOLD FACE TYPE in the first few paragraphs of the paper and repeated near the end, also in **BOLD FACE TYPE**. It will probably be in the first and last paragraph.

Must use five different types of sources and only three can be computer generated.

Possible sources: Infotrac, Internet, Reference section of a library, Non-Fiction from library, Personal interviews, Periodicals (Newspaper, Magazines, Journals, etc.)

Order of final draft is Paper, Outline, and Works Cited.

PLAGIARISM IS ILLEGAL AND COULD CAUSE THE WRITER TO RECEIVE A ZERO ON THIS PROJECT.

ANY GAME PLAYING OR VIEWING OF SITES THAT ARE NOT RELATED TO RESEARCH WRITING TOPICS OR PAPER WILL ALSO RESULT IN A ZERO ON THIS PROJECT.