

## Assignment Sheet for Writing Research Paper

**Primary Goal:** To practice writing an MLA style research paper, with a clear thesis, good organization, and supports integrated within developed paragraphs.

### What are you required to do to complete this assignment successfully?

Write a 3-4 page research paper in MLA format, plus a Works Cited sheet for a total of 4-5 pages, and submit to the dropbox. The paper should include 3 sources – one needs to be an academic source.

### What do you need to do to complete this assignment?

1. **Choose** who your audience is and write your paper for them – use vocabulary and illustrations that they would understand and connect with. **Write** your audience under the MLA style heading – under the date.
2. **Write** a clear introduction that provides any background information needed for your readers to understand your topic.
3. **Include** a clear thesis statement in your introduction.
4. **Write** your paper. **Focus** on writing clear developed paragraphs.
5. **Write** a focused conclusion that explains why your topic is important. Consider answering the question, so what? Or what can we do now?
6. Finally **proofread** for any typos or errors.
7. **Double-check** that your MLA heading is correct.
8. **Create** a Works Cited page with the 3 sources you used.
9. **Upload** to the dropbox.