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Dropbox 6 – Research & Writing

This week will not be as much about research as it is thinking about the primary differences between your daily life in the 21st century and the lives of those who lived over 1000 years ago. Remember this is a comparison, be sure to use examples from the Agrarian world for each example you give for the modern world. The full description of the assignment can be found on page 196 of your text.

Answer:

The essence of life is created by the harmony of nature which includes the world and even ourselves. Unfortunately, my connection with nature weakens as I grow older due to all the distractions and comfort brought upon by modern technology. In the Agrarian world, people get to experience nature simply through transportation as people ride donkeys, horses and camels. Ancient people form a bond with other animals, feel the breeze and calmly appreciate their surroundings, unlike people today with road rage riding buses and cars that are stuck in traffic. A thousand years ago, people's diet strictly had to adjust to the availability or seasonality of fruits, vegetables, and other crops, unlike now there are many different ways and technology like refrigerators to preserve food that allows people to eat what they want anytime. I think that modern technology has brought change in my values particularly on having gratitude and frugality. Today, it is hard to notice and be thankful for the beauty of my surroundings with all the anger and hate, and with the accessibility for everything like food, I forget to value the food I eat which ends up wasting food. The modern world has brought many discoveries and conveniences, but the other side of the coin cannot be ignored.