

"Without deviation from the norm, progress is not possible." - **Frank Zappa**

Assignment: Write a 4-6 page paper that examines a specific struggle during the 1950s or 1960s in which Americans fought to change or reform a US social, political, or economic problem. (Potential struggles: civil rights, free speech, anti-war, feminism, Chicano movement, American Indian Movement, black power movement, counterculture, gay rights, the war on poverty...) The following elements of this assignment are to be accomplished in the order and by the dates indicated below. [All stages of the research paper must be typed except for the thesis statement and notes.]

- ❖ **COMPUTER PASSWORD:** All students must have authorization to use the computers and a *working* password.
 - Due: (10 points)
- ❖ **PRELIMINARY BIBLIOGRAPHY:** You must submit at least 6 sources that provide information on your topic. Make sure you find a diverse mix of sources (i.e. newspaper articles, magazines articles, books, websites). Use the MLA format that can be found in the "writing" section at www.political-economy.net.
 - Due: [see rubric below] (30 points)
- ❖ **NOTES:** Each source will have its own distinct set of notes. You must provide bibliographic information, page numbers, quotes, & paraphrases all organized by topic for each source (see the notes directions sheet for mote info).
 - Due: First two _____ All five _____ (40 points)
- ❖ **WORKING THESIS STATEMENT:** Provide the central focus of your paper including the problem and attempted solution. The thesis might also state the lasting implications of the struggle as well.
 - Due: (20 points)
- ❖ **OUTLINE:** The introductory paragraph must be presented in full including an opener and the working thesis statement. The remaining portion of the paper should be represented in bullet form. The outline must be heavily detailed with parenthetical citation (the more detailed it is, the easier the writing of the actual paper will be).
 - Due: (40 Points)
- ❖ **WRITTEN DRAFT:** This draft must be a COMPLETE paper including the bibliography and parenthetical citations. Putting more time and attention into this draft allows for the revision process to be more meaningful and productive. [Note, this "first" draft will most likely be the second or third because of self-editing & revision]
 - Due: [Please turn in the outline too] (60 points)
- ❖ **FINAL COPY:** By this point, your paper should have gone through many stages including self, peer, and teacher revision and editing.
 - Due: [see rubric – Please turn in the written draft too] (100 points)

Each suburban wife struggled with it alone. As she made the beds, shopped for groceries, matched slipcover material, ate peanut butter sandwiches with her children, chauffeured Cub Scouts and Brownies, lay beside her husband at night-she was afraid to ask even of herself the silent question-"Is this all?" – **Betty Friedan**

RUBRIC FOR BIBLIOGRAPHY

27-30 points	Bibliography has at least 6 sources, and of those there are at least 3 different types. Each one uses proper form.
24-26 points	Bibliography has 5 or 6 sources, and of those there are at least 3 different types. Most of them use proper form.
18-23 points	Bibliography has 4 sources, and of those there are at least 2 or 3 different types. Most of them use proper form.
12-17 points	Bibliography has 3 sources, and of those there are at least 2 or 3 different types. Some of them are in proper form.
1-11 points	Bibliography has 2 or 3 sources, but may be only one type. Form is not correct.

He not busy being born is busy dying. – **Bob Dylan**