

Division-Classification Major Paper Topics

Requirements:

Paper will follow all MLA standards and heading styles (a 5 point penalty will be assessed if not done correctly).

Paper needs to demonstrate some form of division or classification with a logical organizational structure. Your division or classifications must be clear to the reader. You may not use headings in your paper. The division must be done through topic sentences and transitions.

1st drafts of this paper are due on discussion board Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Final Copies of this paper are due by 11:59 PM Halloween, October 31, 2021

Options:

- Find a solid dictionary that you trust and look up the word “propaganda.” Using that definition as your base, I want you to observe any commercials on television that are aimed directly at young children, such as ones for toys, fast food, etc. Analyze the use of propaganda techniques in the commercials and then, by using division-classification, write an essay where you will discuss the types of propaganda you observed. In your thesis, you must display an opinion of these techniques. They do not all have to be bad or good. Make sure you draw examples from the specific commercials. You may also look at propaganda in terms of its use throughout history. Basically, what I am looking for is a discussion on the use of propaganda by human beings and a commentary from you on its use. If your thesis says “propaganda is out there and we should be aware of it,” you will not do too well.
- Pretend that you have had a car accident, and as a part of your sentence, the judge orders you to write a formal paper that will be read by students in the Driver’s Ed. Class at all local high schools. In part of the paper, he wants you to display for the readers the types of drivers they will meet on the road and provide ample warnings for which ones they need to avoid and how to do so. Your thesis should display some form of opinion on the different types of drivers they will encounter. This paper is not informal, as the judge wants to see what you have learned from your English 111 teacher; therefore, “you” **is not** permitted.
- I am a little scared to offer this one, but I am also intrigued by it. I want you to pretend you are writing an essay that will be presented to all aspiring teachers/college professors. In your essay, I want you to categorize the types of teachers that you have encountered. What separates them and makes them different? Establish the positive qualities and negative qualities of each type of teacher, and in the end, I want you to determine which type of teacher is best for students (that teacher obviously should be your last paragraph). Remember, all body paragraphs should contain some form of an example. With that point in mind, I ask that you do not name specific teachers by name (feel free to give them a new name if you wish - if you want to give a teacher credit, you can use their real name, and I may get in touch with them to let them know someone thinks highly of them).
- You may choose a topic of your own, but I will be quite stingy about whether it is division-classification or not. Please get in touch with me for approval of your topic.