

Mapping the Issue Peer Review Prompt

AP English III

Directions: Complete all sections for your writer. Type up the answers in a WORD Document or another doc saved as a PDF. Attach it to an email back to your writer and CC me on the email. DO NOT write your peer review in the body of an email. DO NOT take screen shots of a piece of paper. DO NOT use cloud on or google docs. Use email with a document attachment. Use the library computers if you don't have the ability to do this at home. This is not the first thing I've asked you to type up, which means you know whether or not you can or can't do this at home, so do not come to me the day it's due and say you're just now going to go down to the library to get it done.

It's due by 6 pm on Thursday 2/7. No exceptions.

Writer:

Reviewer:

Introduction

Early on, the writer should incorporate what "they say" by situating his/her paper as a response to the conversation surrounding a controversial issue. He/she should also provide a thesis that promises to describe the most significant positions on that issue. Finally, the writer should make it clear to whom his/her paper matters ("Who cares?") and why ("So what?").

Are all these elements clear to you? If so, prove it by repeating these elements back to the writer (feel free to quote the writer directly in your response). If not, suggest some options for how the writer might go about satisfying these elements of the assignment.

Background

The writer should provide readers with some background on the controversy, explaining what caused the issue, what prompted past and present interest in it, and who is interested in the issue and why.

Are these explanations apparent? If so, briefly summarize them (feel free to quote the writer directly). If not, let the writer know which parts of the background information you find missing.

Description/Summary

For at least three positions, the writer should describe advocates' main claims, supporting reasons, and evidence. He/she should also describe points of intersection and diversion between positions, the points on which advocates agree and disagree, and the reasons for disagreement. Finally, for each position the writer should summarize at least one outside source.

Has the writer included all this information for each position mentioned? If so, briefly summarize the elements for each position. If not, explain what elements you find missing from which positions.