

WELCOME!

AGENDA:

1. Drafting the essay
2. Work period:
 - a. Read the **sample essays** on my website
 - b.** Begin drafting your **essay**

Homework: Introduction and two body paragraphs typed

IMPORTANT DATES:

02/11 and 02/12: Drafting

02/13 and 02/14: Drafting/Peer editing

02/18 and 02/19: Final edits

02/20 and 02/21: Final draft submitted to [turnitin.com](https://www.turnitin.com)

CITATIONS:

Here's a link to help with creating citations/summary v. plagiarism:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rw3CSul1lv9teAn7MSqZ6cPjLmYhfwRWhmk-nXTpRvg/edit?usp=sharing>

INTRODUCTION PARAGRAPH:

- 1) Hook: “snag” your reader’s attention with...
- 2) Contextualize: set up some context for your topic/argument (2-3 sentences)
- 3) Thesis/claim/argument: place this at the end of your intro so that your reader knows the plan.

BODY PARAGRAPH STRUCTURE:

- 1) Topic sentence
- 2) Introduce evidence #1
- 3) Evidence (quote, etc.)
- 4) Analysis of evidence:
How does this link to
your topic sentence
and main claim?
- 5) Introduce evidence #2
- 6) Evidence
- 7) Analysis of evidence #2
- 8) Transition to next
paragraph.

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The Center for Disease Control found data of the prevalence of cases of Autism Spectrum Disorder over the past few years and the number has grown rapidly. In 2000 researchers found that approximately 1 in every 150 children was diagnosed with ASD. Researchers surveilled again in 2014 and discovered that approximately 1 in every 59 children was diagnosed with ASD (CDC).

OR

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