

Final Paper (100 points)

DRAFT DUE: 4 December 2006

FINAL DUE: 11 December 2006 (2pm & 4pm); 13 December 2006 (3pm)

Your final assignment for ENGL 1010 is to rewrite one of the papers you wrote earlier in the semester. You may choose whichever assignment you like. Do not simply retype your paper, correcting mistakes that were marked when you turned it in the first time. You should look at the assignment sheet and think through the assignment before taking a fresh look at your paper. When you revise, try to RE-SEE your paper, first focusing on areas of weakness (YOU identify the areas of weakness; don't rely on instructor comments). After you have read your paper through thoroughly and identified its weak points, start over and write the paper again. To repeat: Start over and write the paper again. Do not open the same word processing file that you worked on before and make changes to that file; begin a new file, and write the paper again. You may find that some parts of your paper are worthy of inclusion in the new and improved version. If that is the case, by all means use those parts.

In analyzing your paper, you may find that it isn't workable at all, that you need to start over again with a new idea. Please remain open to this possibility when rethinking your work. It may be that the weakness was in the very idea or question you took up in the paper. Perhaps it wasn't an appropriate topic or angle for the assignment. If you find that to be the case, do not try to rewrite the same paper. Instead, write a new, better paper that incorporates what you've learned and what you now understand about the assignment that you may not have before.

After you've rewritten your paper, compose a one-page narrative explaining your process in rethinking and rewriting your paper. This narrative should be attached in front of your paper when you turn it in.