**Plagiarism Assignment**

***Plagiarism -***plā-jə-rizəm */ noun*

*the practice of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off as one's own.*

*-Merriam Webster*

Complete an article based on a topic of your choice. First, copy or print verbatim from your source. This selection can be an internet article, a magazine article or from a non-fiction book. The selection must be at least 4 paragraphs long. Second, produce your own (not plagiarized) informational piece based on this article that is at least two paragraphs long. Take care to do more than just change a few key words—use the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrjoaaIxaJI> for assistance. You must list the source in MLA format as for a works cited list. You must also include at least one quote with in-text citation in MLA format. Use this site for reference: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/02/> . You will turn in both your original selection and your own informational article together.

Scoring as follows:

* 1. 15pts – Your source selection is from an internet article, a magazine article or a non-fiction book, is at least four paragraphs long, and has been copied verbatim.
  2. 15pts – Your informational piece provides all of the key information present in the source selection, is two paragraphs long, and has one quote from the source selection.
  3. 15pts – Your informational piece is free from spelling/grammar errors, the source is listed at end in MLA format, and one in-text quotation is properly cited per MLA format.
  4. 15pts – For successfully avoiding plagiarizing.
  5. EXTRA CREDIT 5pts – For providing an insightful interpretation or analysis in your informational piece, instead of simply relaying the information from the source document.