1. We are writing an analysis of a play (not *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* or *Dead Poets’ Society*) or short story that we are studying as a class.

2. The essay must be at least 1000-1200 words and have a four item “Works Cited” list.

3. We must use MLA style and document all sources correctly.

4. Our essay must contain at least four sources (the play or short story that we are analyzing and at least three critical responses to the work).

5. We cannot use *Spark Notes*, *Cliffnotes*, encyclopedias (online or text versions), or *Master Plots*.

6. We may use dictionaries and specialized encyclopedias.