

The first two things that you need to do are: (5 points each)

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You will need to complete the following assignments and turn them in at your first class meeting. **Instructions and documents that you will need are available on the Google Classroom site.** You need to turn these assignments in, on paper, on the first day of class.

- Write TWO essays responding to TWO different Common App essay prompts for 2020-2021. (30 points)
 - You must meet the Common APP word count requirement.
 - Even if no schools to which you intend to apply require an essay, you still need to complete this assignment as it is valuable narrative writing practice.
- Complete the College Research Assignment (50 points)
 - Even if you feel like you know where you are going to go, complete this assignment thoroughly. It does not hurt to explore your options.

Common App Essay Prompts 2020-2021 250-650 words

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
3. Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?
4. Describe a problem you've solved or a problem you'd like to solve. It can be an intellectual challenge, a research query, an ethical dilemma — anything of personal importance, no matter the scale. Explain its significance to you and what steps you took or could be taken to identify a solution.
5. Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.
6. Describe a topic, idea, or concept you find so engaging it makes you lose all track of time. Why does it captivate you? What or who do you turn to when you want to learn more?
7. Share an essay on any topic of your choice. It can be one you've already written, one that responds to a different prompt, or one of your own design.