English 150

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**Reflective Response to an Essay**

The purpose of this assignment is for you to effectively summarize and personally respond to the assigned readings in this course.

Here are the specific guidelines for the assignment:

1. Reflective essay responses should be no more than **two to three typed pages.**
2. Your paper should be formatted according to the MLA format as illustrated in the Marlette Writing Guide.
3. Include a specific title
4. The content of your paper should include the following:

* **Describe** the essay by providing a short restatement (around 150-200 words) of the contents of the essay. **Do not use direct quotes. You should summarize using your own words.** Questions to consider are:
  + What are the major points of the essay?
  + What are the relevant details?
* **Identify and Analyze** the rhetorical strategies that the author uses to make his points. Questions to consider for this section are:
  + Is the author writing for a specific audience? If so, who?
  + How does the author tailor his argument to appeal to the target audience?
  + Is the author effective at getting his point across? Why or why not?