

LRNC B510 - English B1A – Synthesis Paper

Write a Synthesis Paper using three sources found on the Bakersfield College library databases. The Synthesis Paper will be 3-3½ pages in length and require two complete drafts—one to be peer reviewed, and one as a final copy. All drafts must be complete and turned in to receive credit for the assignment.

Assignment:

A major concern in our connected world is net privacy. Most of us are connected in some way to the Internet, and through it to the world. When we enter personal information, whether it is a photograph, our name, or financial information, that information is available to others outside of our personal sphere. Write a 3-3½ page synthesis paper that answers the following question:

Is our need for products, information, or contact with people close to us worth the loss of privacy that using the Internet forces on us?

Sources:

1. Choose three academic, non-fiction sources from the BC Library electronic databases to support your thesis.
 - You may use **only one eBook** from the BC Library.

Synthesis Paper requirements:

1. The paper must be at least three full pages in length and not more than three and one half pages in length.
2. Be sure to include at least one direct quotation from each source that you use.
3. Additionally, you may use a paraphrase or summary from your sources.
4. Be sure to follow MLA format when writing your essay.
5. Include a Works Cited page, with the entries in alphabetical order, at the end of your essay.

Due dates for this essay are as follows:

- October 26, 2015: Research Proposal
- October 28, 2015: Topic Sentence Outline
- November 2, 2015: Synthesis Paper Peer Review Draft
- November 3, 2015: Final Draft of Synthesis Paper

See the following for help with your essay:

- Reference the “Punctuation Pattern Sheet” handout for help with punctuation.
- Reference in-class materials and handouts for clarification on signal phrases and for putting quotations in context.
- Reference *Little, Brown* for help with MLA style, MLA Research paper format, and for Works Cited entry information.