

## AEA Final Reaction Writing

### Argumentative / Persuasive / Synthesis:

1. Topic: Your choice within your field of academic study. Identify a problem and propose a solution. You may connect your solution with one proposed by an outside source.
2. Write (type) a **three to five paragraph essay (do not write a full research paper, unless you really want to)** about your topic (Must be at least 300 words long -- minimum)
3. It must have a clear introduction paragraph, body paragraph(s), and concluding paragraph.

### Your grade:

1. Is it an argumentative or synthesis essay: (1 point)
2. Does it have a thesis statement (a claim)? Does the introduction begin with the topic in general and end with the topic in specific? (3 points)
3. Is the essay at least 3 paragraphs long: (2 points)
4. Does it have a conclusion that restates the main points and restates the Thesis Statement? Does the conclusion go from specific to general? ( 3 points)
5. Are the ideas of the body paragraphs well-formed and supported with clear arguments/examples/facts? (2 points)
6. Does the essay have unity, coherence, and cohesion? That is, does each paragraph have a clear topic (i.e. purpose) and does each sentence in the paragraph contribute to achieving this purpose? (2 points).
7. Does the essay have acceptable grammar, punctuation, spelling, and mechanics? (2 points)
8. Does the essay use diverse sentence structure? (1.5 points)
9. Does the essay show critical thinking/analysis (Do you consider weaknesses in your argument? (2 points)
10. Do you cite outside sources and not commit plagiarism (1.5 points) ?

This assignment must be typed and double-spaced.

**It is due \_\_\_\_\_ .**