

Library Snow Packet

Yay, it's a snow day! While you are enjoying your day at home, let's take some time from your relaxation to get your creative juices flowing. One of the most exciting parts of Library class is that our curriculum is writing, reading, and research based, which gives us an array of different directions we can go in regards to class instruction. Contained within this packet is a combination of several different tasks, all intended to make you think about your personal preference, opinion, or stance on a topic related to a current event, controversial topic or a personal experience. You can choose which of these topics you would like to do on what day, so long as you follow the requirements listed below:

1. Choose one of the topics and place the **bolded** header at the top of your paper to distinguish your prompt selection.
2. Write 200 words (minimum) about the selected prompt-if you feel particularly passionate about a specific topic, write as much as you like.
3. If the prompt requires research, make sure you add an in text citation to ensure I know where your information is coming from and to give credit where credit is due.
4. Make sure that whatever your opinion (particularly on the 'hot topics') that there is evidence or enough support to make it more than just a "because that's what I think" scenario. There needs to be reasons or purpose behind your thoughts.

| Topic: | Prompt: |
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| Current Events | Should America give money to poor people in other countries, or should we help our poor first? Why? Think of war ridden areas or those hit by natural disasters as well. |
| Current Events | Should fast food restaurants be held responsible for people's weight gain and health issues? Think from the perspective of insurance companies, the fast food industry, and that of the unhealthy individual who is eating there. |
| Current Events | Should parents be held responsible for their kid's actions? At what age (if any) should it be the child's responsibility to make their own decisions without the parent representation? Think of those who get in legal trouble or may not have reliable parent figures. |
| Personal Experience | Talk about a time when you accomplished something. What made it such an accomplishment, who else was involved, why did it have significance to you or others? |

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| Personal Experience | Talk about a personal or family tradition. What is the tradition? Where did it come from/who made it significant? Why is it a part of your life? |
| Personal Experience | Talk about the hardest thing you ever had to do. Was it physically or mentally difficult? Did you learn anything from it or overcome a feat? |
| Creative Writing | You just realized you are really a character in a book and you're living out a story. What are your character traits? What is the story line? What's the conflict? |
| Creative Writing | All the kids start acting like parents & the parents act like the kids. What problems would you encounter? What dynamics would be different? What roles would have to change? |
| Creative Writing | Your life is suddenly national news. What is it on the news for? What has happened? How will being famous change your life in a good or bad way? |