Extra Credit Assignment with Your Paper – SmarThinking Review!

This contains instructions to use SmarThinking and—in green boxes—to do the extra credit.

SmarThinking Online Review:

To receive extra credit for your paper (the 1st part of the 3-Part Writing Assignment), you must submit your paper to the online tutorial resource SmarThinking. SmarThinking provides online tutoring in Mathematics (Basic Skills - Calculus II), Writing, General Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology, Accounting, Economics, Spanish, and Statistics. Online math tutors are available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week during the school year. Over 80% of SMARTHINKING online tutors have a Masters or PhD in their respective disciplines, and they average eight years of teaching experience.

Please keep in mind that SmarThinking reviews take **24-48** hours so do **not** wait until the last minute! To access SmarThinking follow the steps below!

> **To earn the 20 points extra credit with this assignment**: Think through the timing. You must complete all the steps in these green boxes before the due date for the Paper in the Course Schedule.
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> You receive the extra credit grade for the E-structor Response form (20 points) based on how you dealt with the feedback in your final version of your paper.
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> The green boxes tell you what to do and provide tips.

To Access SmarThinking Follow the Steps Below:

To access the tutoring services, follow these steps:

1. Go to WCJC Online Services on the homepage—www.wcjc.edu
2. Login with your student ID and password. (See below if you have never logged into Online Services)
3. Click on Student Services and Financial Aid.
4. From the menu, choose SmarThinking Online Tutoring.
5. Click Online Tutoring. The first time you log in, you will need to search for Wharton County Junior College by name or state, but after that first time, you will not need to perform a search.

From there, students can utilize up to 25 hours of tutoring including the following:

- o "Drop-in" for live tutoring,
- o Submit questions for a response within twenty-four hours,
- o Submit essays for a review by a tutor,
- o Pre-schedule sessions,
- o View archives of past sessions.

User Login for Online Services:

Please enter your User Identification Number (ID), which is your Social Security Number without hyphens, or your Banner ID Number, and your Personal Identification Number (PIN). When finished, click Login.

The first time you log on, use your birthdate in MMDDYY format for your PIN. On the next screen you will be prompted to immediately change your PIN.

To protect your privacy, please Exit and close your browser when you are finished.

SmarThinking:

Follow the links to the Writing Center and submission of a "Standard Essay Review" or "Grammar and Documentation Review," whichever would be the most beneficial to you. The site will ask you to select which aspects of your paper are of particular concern (i.e. main idea or sentence structure), and again choose what you think would be of the most benefit to you!

> **Favor:** If the paragraph is too long for the area permitted by SmarThinking, please email me immediately and I will make it shorter.
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> **To earn the 20 points extra credit with this assignment**: When SmarThinking asks you for a description of your assignment, you enter **exactly** the following:
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> > Using the required textbook and the 3 primary sources, students write an organized, brief paper (400 words) on the question **What does a freshman college history student need to know about the Missouri Compromise?** Show that you understand this fully, including Northern and Southern issues. As a great professor explained, "You must understand everything; you do **not** have to write everything." You cite every fact (whether a quotation or in your own words). *Chicago Manual of Style* is the method used in history. Footnotes make citation always available but unobtrusive because you only show the number of the footnote in the text. Footnotes however are confusing in a Discussion. To keep the citations unobtrusive but clear to peer reviewers, place in ( ) the short phrase specified for each source with the page number, such as (Adams, 2).

Once you have uploaded your paper, a qualified tutor will personally read your paper and offer constructive feedback on how to improve it for the future. You will receive notification when your review has been completed and you will receive a detailed report on your paper with comments and suggestions.

SmarThinking "E-Structor Response" Submission:

24-to-48 hours after submitting your paper to SmarThinking you will receive an "E-structor Response Form" from SmarThinking. To access the tutor feedback you should log into Online Services and access SmarThinking as you did before. Once in the SmartThinking tab, click on "Your Writing Submissions" and then choose the name of this paper from the list of your paper submissions. If this is your first submission you will only have one paper to choose!

After you select your paper, click on the button that says "Download Tutor Response." The tutor response will open in Word and you save it as a document. You use it and you also upload it to your instructor.

> **To earn the 20 points extra credit with this assignment**:
> Upload the "E-structor Response Form" to the Blackboard Assignment named:
> > E-structor Response Form from SmarThinking
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> *Tip on Timing:*
> - Submit this to the Blackboard Assignment as soon as you receive it.
> - Then begin to figure out the revisions to your paper that you should make. Remember I will look at what they suggest and compare it with your final version of your paper that you post.
> - Just be sure to post your best version of your paper before the Discussion closes on the date and hour in the Course Schedule.

Writing Assignment – SmarThinking Rewrite and Posting of Your Paper:

DO NOT FORGET TO POST YOUR PAPER!!!!
Once you have received your comments from the SmarThinking tutors, go back and revise your paper using the corrections/suggestions provided. Incorporate the tutor's suggestions, as well as your own proofreading of text and of accuracy of your citation (including its page numbers), into your final revised version of the paper.

> **To earn the 20 points extra credit with this assignment**:
> Once you have revised your paper, post it in the Discussion 3-Part Writing Assignment. Be sure to follow the directions for the post in the link How Do You Do Each Part of the 3-Part Writing Assignment. You must post before the deadline in the Course Schedule.
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> You receive the extra credit grade for the E-structor Response form (20 points) based on how you dealt with the feedback in your final version of your paper.