| **Week #** | | **Dates** | **Activities** | **Graded Assignments** | **Due Date** |
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| **Personal Narrative Essay** | | | | | |
| 1 | Monday January 11, 2021 –  Sunday Jan 17, 2021 | | **Read:**  [Valencia Writer – Narration Section](https://libguides.valenciacollege.edu/c.php?g=394082&p=2677399)  ['Escape From Alcatraz and A 47-Year Manhunt" Part 1 by Laura Sullivan](http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=112746496)  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Writing a Personal Narrative Essay   * Eight Cow Bracelet (Student Sample of Personal Narrative) | **Discussion Forum: Week 1 (25 points)**   * *1A: Post an introduction* * *1B: Share your personal learning style*   **Tasks**   * 1.1 Building Block Exercise: Dialogue in Narratives (25 points) * 1.2 Planning Worksheet: Personal Narrative (50 points) * 1.3 Rough Draft: Personal Narrative (75 points) * 1.4 Quiz on Course Syllabus (25 points)   Total for Week 1: 200 points | Sunday Jan 17, 2021 |
| 2 | Jan 17 – 24, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**   * “[Shooting an Elephant” by George Orwell](https://www.orwellfoundation.com/the-orwell-foundation/orwell/essays-and-other-works/shooting-an-elephant/)   **Watch:**   * Lecture 1: Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Shooting an Elephant * Lecture 2: Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Introduction to Peer Review   **Listen:**  To a reading of“Shooting an Elephant” by George Orwell | **Discussion Forum: Week 2 (25 points)**  **Tasks**   * 2.1 Response Essay: Shooting an Elephant (25 points) * 2.2 Peer Review: Personal Narrative (50 points) * 2.3 Building Block Exercise: Run-on Sentences and Sentence Fragments (25 points) * 2.4 Quiz: Shooting an Elephant (25 points)   Total Points for Week 2: 150 points | Jan 24, 2021 |
| 3 | Jan 24 – 31. 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**  [Brute Neighbors – Henry David Thoreau](https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/90/walden-or-life-in-the-woods/1691/brute-neighbors/)  [37 Who Saw Murder Didn’t Call the Police](https://www.nytimes.com/1964/03/27/archives/37-who-saw-murder-didnt-call-the-police-apathy-at-stabbing-of.html)  **(**from the New York Times**,** March 27, 1964**)**  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Analysis of Personal Narratives  **Listen:**   * Why Did No One Help a Dying Man? * The Bystander Effect: The Death of Kitty Genovese | **Discussion Forum: Week 3 (25 points)**  **Tasks**   * 3.1 Building Block Exercise: Guidelines for Describing Setting and Character (25 points) * 3.2 Quiz :Week 3 Narrative Readings (50 points) * 3.3 Final Draft: Personal Narrative (150 points) * 3.4 Self- Assessment: Personal Narrative (25 points)   Total Points for Week 3: 275 points | Jan 31. 2021 |
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| **Descriptive Essay** | | | | | |
| 4 | Jan 31 – Feb 7, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**  [Elie Wiesel “Night”](http://echoesandreflections.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/EchoesAndReflections_Lesson_Five_Memoir-ExcerptFromNight.pdf)  [Lars Ehner “On Dumpster Diving”](https://scholarworks.umb.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1539&context=nejpp)  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Descriptive Essay  **Listen:**  Literary Devices in Pop Culture  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_pxfifB6Co> | **Discussion Forum: Week 4 (25 points)**   * 4.1 Planning Worksheet: Descriptive Essay (50 points) * 4.2 Rough Draft: Descriptive Essay (100 points) * 4.3 Building Block: Identifying Figurative Language (25 points)   Total Points for Week 4: 200 points | Feb 7, 2021 |
| 5 | Feb 7 – Feb 14, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**   * [“You could Look It Up” by James Thurber](http://www.saturdayeveningpost.com/wp-content/uploads/satevepost/james_thurber.pdf) * ["Niagara Falls" by Rupert Brooke](https://www.gutenberg.org/files/38280/38280-h/38280-h.htm#NIAGARA_FALLS) * "[The Company Man" by Ellen Goodman](https://www.matermiddlehigh.org/ourpages/auto/2009/12/3/56937061/Ellen%20Goodman%20-%20The%20Company%20Man.pdf)   **Watch:** Lecture: Peer Review of Descriptive Essays | **Discussion Forum: Week 5 (25 points)**   * 5.1 Peer Review: Descriptive Essay (50 points) * 5.2 Quiz: Descriptive Essays (50 points) * 5.3 Building Block Exercise: Analyzing Essays for Tone (25 points)   Total Points for Week 5: 125 points | Feb 14, 2021 |
| 6 | Feb 14 – Feb 21, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer – Under Description section**   * ["Three Days to See" Helen Keller](https://www.afb.org/about-afb/history/helen-keller/books-essays-speeches/senses/three-days-see-published-atlantic) * ‘['Total Eclipse’' Annie Dillard's](https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2017/08/annie-dillards-total-eclipse/536148/) * [Charles Dickens What Christmas Is As We Grow Older](https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/67/dickens-christmas-stories/3955/what-christmas-is-as-we-grow-older/) | **Discussion Forum: Week 6 (25 points)**   * 6.1 Final Draft: Descriptive Essay (200 points) * 6.2 Self- Assessment: Descriptive Essay (25 points) * 6.3 Presentation: Descriptive Essay (100 points) * 6.4 Quiz: Descriptive Essays Valencia Writer (50 points)   Total Points for Week 6: 400 points | Feb 21, 2021 |
| **Definition Essay** | | | | | |
| 7 | Feb 21 – Feb 28, 2021 | | **Read: Valencia Writer-**   * "[The Company Man" by Ellen Goodman](https://www.matermiddlehigh.org/ourpages/auto/2009/12/3/56937061/Ellen%20Goodman%20-%20The%20Company%20Man.pdf) * “[I Want a Wife” By](https://www.thecut.com/2017/11/i-want-a-wife-by-judy-brady-syfers-new-york-mag-1971.html)[Judy (Syfers) Brady](https://www.thecut.com/author/judy-(syfers)-brady/)   **[Watch:](https://www.thecut.com/author/judy-(syfers)-brady/)**  [Professo](https://www.thecut.com/author/judy-(syfers)-brady/)r Carpenter’s Lecture: Definition Essay  **Listen:**  What does courage look like? | **Discussion Forum: Week 7 (25 points)**   * 7.1 Planning/Brainstorming/ Definition Essay (50 points) * 7.2 Rough Draft: Definition Essay (75 points) * 7.3 Building Block Exercise: Practicing Development of MLA Citations of Online Dictionary Entries (25 points)   Total Points for Week 7: 175 points | Feb 28, 2021 |
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| 8 | Feb 28 – March 7, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer (Definition Essays)**  ["Magic in Your Fingers!" by Helen Keller](https://www.afb.org/about-afb/history/helen-keller/books-essays-speeches/senses/magic-your-fingers-published-home) [The Cosmic Perspective By Neil deGrasse Tyson](https://www.haydenplanetarium.org/tyson/essays/2007-04-the-cosmic-perspective.php) [“I Want a Wife” by Judy (Syfers) Brady](https://www.thecut.com/2017/11/i-want-a-wife-by-judy-brady-syfers-new-york-mag-1971.html)  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: MLA Citations | **Discussion Forum: Week 8 (25 points)**   * 8.1 Peer Review: Definition Essay (50 points) * 8.2 Quiz (40 points) * 8.3 Response Essay (25 points) * 8.4 Building Block Exercises: Commas, End Punctuation, and Quotation Marks (25 points)   Total Points for Week 8: 165 points | March 7, 2021 |
| **Week 9 - March 8 – March 14, 2021 Spring Break** | | | | | |
| 10 | March 15 - March 21, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer (Definition Essay)**   * [Sojourner Truth (1797-1883): Ain't I A Woman?Delivered 1851](https://www.nps.gov/articles/sojourner-truth.htm) * [My Bondage and My Freedom](https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/45/my-bondage-and-my-freedom/)   [What is the Fourth of July to a Slave? by Frederick Douglass](https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/45/my-bondage-and-my-freedom/)   * [The End of Literature by Robert Coover](https://theamericanscholar.org/the-end-of-literature/#.XTIFhuhKiUk) | **Discussion Forum: Week 9 (25 points)**   * 9.1 Final Draft: Definition Essay (150 points) * 9.2 Self-Assessment: Definition Essay (25 points) * 9.3 Quiz Valencia Writer Readings (35 points)   Total Points for Week 9: 210 | March 21, 2021 |
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| **Comparison and Contrast Essay** | | | | | |
| 11 | March 21 – March 28, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer (Comparison and Contrast section)**   * [Cats and Dogs By H. P. Lovecraft](https://www.hplovecraft.com/writings/texts/essays/cd.aspx)  |  | | --- | | * [I'm Your Teacher,Not Your Internet-Service](http://celt.cui.edu/celt/webct_for_instructors/Laird_Article.htm)   [Provider by Ellen Laird](http://celt.cui.edu/celt/webct_for_instructors/Laird_Article.htm)  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Introduction to  Comparison and Contrast | | **Discussion Forum: Week 10 (25 points)**   * 10.1 Planning Worksheet: Comparison and Contrast Essay (50 points) * 10.2 Rough Draft: Comparison and Contrast Essay (100 points)   Total Points for Week 10: 175 points | March 28, 2021 |
| 12 | March 28 – April 4, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer (Comparison and Contrast)**   * [Paper v. Pixel](http://nautil.us/issue/4/the-unlikely/paper-versus-pixel)  [Two Ways of Seeing a River Essay by Mark Twain](https://www.thoughtco.com/two-ways-of-seeing-a-river-by-mark-twain-1688773) **Listen:**  [Comparison: Two Views of Moral Dilemmas:](http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2015/04/03/397280759/men-and-women-use-different-scales-to-weigh-moral-dilemmas)  [Men and Women Use Different Scales to Weigh Moral Dilemmas](http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2015/04/03/397280759/men-and-women-use-different-scales-to-weigh-moral-dilemmas) | **Discussion Forum: Week 11 (25 points)**   * 11.1 Peer Review: Comparison and Contrast Essay (50 points) * 11.2 Response Essay (25 points)   Total Points for Week 11: 100 points | April 4, 2021 |
| 13 | April 4 - April 11, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**   * [“Eve’s Diary” by Mark Twain](https://courses.lumenlearning.com/suny-readinganthology/chapter/eves-diary-by-mark-twain/) * ["The Inspired Writer vs. the Real Writer" by Sarah Allen](https://wac.colostate.edu/docs/books/writingspaces1/allen--the-inspired-writing-vs-the-real-writer.pdf) | **Discussion Forum: Week 12 (25 points)**   * 12.1 Final Draft: Comparison and Contrast Essay (200 points) * 12.2 Self-Assessment: Comparison and Contrast Essay (25 points) * 12.3 Presentation: Comparison and Contrast (100 points)   Total Points for Week 12: 325 points | April 11, 2021 |
| **Argument Essay** | | | | | |
| 14 | April 11 - April 18, 2021 | | **Read:**  [Valencia Writer](https://libguides.valenciacollege.edu/c.php?g=394082&p=2726764)  [Evaluating Websites](https://libguides.valenciacollege.edu/c.php?g=394082&p=2726764)  [Valencia Writer (Under Argument Essay tab)](https://libguides.valenciacollege.edu/c.php?g=394082&p=2677399)   * [Is Google Making Us Stupid?](https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2008/07/is-google-making-us-stupid/306868/) * [More Guns Does Not Stop More Crimes](https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/more-guns-do-not-stop-more-crimes-evidence-shows/)   **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Introduction to Argument Essay | **No discussion forum this week.**   * 13.1: Planning Sheet: Argument Essay (50 points) * 13.2 Rough Draft: Argument Essay * 13.2 Response essay (50 points) | April 18, 2021 |
| 15 | April 18 – April 25, 2021 | | **Read:**  **Valencia Writer**  [Organ donation saves lives. Why don’t more people sign up for it?](https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/sep/11/organ-donation-saves-lives-jemima-layzell-waiting-list)  Cole Moreton  [Letter from Birmingham Jail by Martin Luther King Jr.](https://teachingamericanhistory.org/library/document/letter-from-birmingham-city-jail-excerpts/)  **Watch:**  Professor Carpenter’s Lecture: Analyzing Argument Essays | * 14.1 Peer Review: Argument Essay | April 25, 2021 |
| 16 | April 25 – April 30, 2021 | | **Reading:**  **Valencia Reader**  ["The Case Against Torture" by Alisa Solomon](https://www.villagevoice.com/2001/11/27/the-case-against-torture/) | **Discussion – Reflection and Wrap-up**   * 15.1 Final Draft: Argument Essay * 15.2: Presentation: Argument Essay (175 points) | April 30, 2021 |