

This is what I would like you to turn in for your paper critique. In a MS Word file, send me a document containing the items listed below. This needs to be turned in by 24:00 the Wednesday before the class period when it will be critiqued.

Your narrative type: Choose one of the ones I mentioned in class or specify your own. Why did you choose this narrative type?

Journal you would like to send it to: Which journal will you turn this paper in to? What kinds of papers do they publish? Why did you choose it?

Paper Title: Choose a title for your paper based on what we learned in class.

Detailed outline and completed paragraphs: Write a detailed outline of your paper with 8-10 finished paragraphs. I suggest preparing 2-3 paragraphs each from the introduction, methods, results, and discussion. The paragraphs that remain in outline form should have a statement of purpose for each paragraph, a first sentence, and a list of what other items will be included. They should each look something like this:

- Statement of purpose for the entire paragraph
- Write out your first sentence
- Part 1 (example, statement, or other)
- Part 2 (example, statement, or other)
- Part 3 (example, statement, or other). . . (as many of these as you need)
- Transition to next paragraph

If they are ready, include your figures and tables in the outline as well in the places where you will be talking about them. This should allow us to comment on both your writing and your planning, without you having to produce an entire paper. If you have more than this completed, I would still like to see no more than about 12 paragraphs for critique.

The reason I am assigning the paper in this way is that I would rather that we spend our time looking closely at your writing and planning (which is easier to see in outline form) than getting lost in the details of an entire paper. This also gives you more opportunity to work on elements like style, punctuation, and transitions. You can then take our comments and apply them to the rest of your paper as you work on finishing it for publication.