

Instructions

Summary-Response #2

Task:

For your summary-response, you will read the assigned readings for the week and you will:

- Write a brief summary of the main points for two of the reading selections assigned for the week.
- Write a brief response to two of the reading selections assigned for the week. In your response you should identify and explain your perspective in the issue(s).
- Review the sub-module on Summarizing and Responding to Readings for a sample summary-response paper.

Due Date and Grade Percentage:

This summary/response is due by the end of week 3 and is worth 5% of your final course grade.

Connection to other Course Assignments:

- The summary-response will help you clarify your understanding of the weekly reading selections.
- The summary-response will also help you to clarify and articulate your perspective on the various social issues presented throughout the course.
- Moreover, the summary-response will serve as the basis for your quote logs and for your analysis in the case study project

Content:

- Be sure to include a summary for two of the assigned reading selections.
- Be sure to include a response to the issue(s) presented in two of the assigned reading selections.
- In your summary paragraphs, clearly present each author's key points in your own words.
- In your response paragraphs, show you are really thinking about the issue(s) – don't settle for easy answers, don't pretend that conflicting evidence doesn't exist, don't feel that you have to take an either-or position. In addition, do not feel that you have to agree with the authors.

Length and Format:

- You should submit your summary–response for both readings in a single document/file.
- Your summary–response for each of the reading selections should be a minimum of two (2) paragraphs (about 300–400 words) in length.
 - Your summary for **each** of the two readings you selected should be 1–2 paragraphs long.
 - Your response to **each** of the two readings you selected should be 1–2 paragraphs in length.
 - **Please clearly label and separate the summary and response for each reading. Please do not lump the summary and response together.**
- Your summary–response should be typed, double–spaced and in 12–point font.
- Your summary–response should be written in formal, academic prose. Be sure to pay attention to using complete sentences, correct spelling and grammar, and no “text talk.”