

Unit Three Essay Prompt

This unit begins with a discussion of Jacob Soll's article, "The Long and Brutal History of Fake News" which introduced the topic of fake news and some of the consequences that occur because of this issue. We will also be discussing the BBC article by Richard Gray "Lies, propaganda and fake news: A challenge for our age" which introduces modern examples of fake news and the many recent consequences.

In this essay you'll be using either Soll or Gray's article as an "anchor" to connect with articles of a similar nature. In your introduction you will need to explain the topic of fake news along with the significance behind it. You will then map out and synthesize your anchor text and three additional articles from a provided list.

For each of your chosen texts, please select an example (or examples) that reinforces the argument of the main text. Please discuss some of the main points of connection, disagreement, illustration and contrast between your chosen texts. Follow this all with a conclusion that discusses some of the relative strengths and weaknesses of these outside positions. Finally, I'd like to see you explain some of the most interesting aspects of fake news, along with examples you have located through your own research. These examples can be linked to something we discussed earlier in the semester, or an outside topic of interest.

Format

MLA Format with works cited page.

6-8 pages (Full pages not including works cited)