WRITING ASSIGNMENT (PART 2) – 15%

OPINION PARAGRAPH

Task
You are required to do the second part of an opinion paragraph on one of the suggested topics given. Your second part should contain the following items:

1. Second draft
2. Self-editing Form
3. Final draft

Instructions
1. Write your opinion paragraph based on SAME suggested title in your first assignment.

2. Use the given TEMPLATE to write your paragraph. You should only write ONE paragraph. If you write an essay instead, only the FIRST paragraph will be marked.

3. Your assignment should only be HANDWRITTEN.

4. Your paragraph should be at least 350-400 words.

5. Your paragraph should have a topic sentence, several supporting sentences and a concluding sentence.

6. Support your opinion with relevant explanation and appropriate examples.

7. Look for TWO published article to support your paragraph. These articles should be articles that have been officially published within year 2012 – 2015 only. For example, newspaper articles, magazines, online newspapers or online articles. Personal blogs, posting, Wikipedia and articles from other sources are considered unreliable. Use only in-text citation format (short quotations, summary, paraphrase). (Refer to notes on 2421 – citations)

8. WRITE the reference list at the bottom of your final draft.
9. Assignments that are plagiarized will be awarded 0.

10. This assignment is **DUE on Thursday, 07.05.2015, WEEK 11.** Late submission will **NOT** be accepted.

**The Writing Process**

i. Write the second draft of your paragraph based on the comments that were given in your Peer-editing Form.

ii. Edit your second draft yourself using the Self-editing Form. This completed Self-editing Form is one of the items that need to be included in your portfolio for submission. Thoroughly revise your paragraph for coherence, relevance, unity and language use.

iii. Based on the revision from the Self-editing Form, write the final draft of your paragraph.

iv. All the required items should be submitted together as the **Writing Assignment Portfolio 2.**

**Note:**

Before submitting, arrange the items from top to bottom according to this list:

(a) Final Draft

(b) Self-editing Form

(c) Second Draft
## SELF-EDITING FORM

### Writer's name:  

**Date:**  

**Number of words:**  

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12. I have checked my paragraph for  

   a) fragments  
   b) run-ons  
   c) comma splices  
   d) parallel structures  

13. I have made changes to my paragraph (revised my writing) after receiving feedback from my peer editor.  

14. The 3 most important changes I have made to my paragraph are:  

   a)  
   b)  
   c)