

Essay Assignment Topics
ENWR 106: College Writing II
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1. Write a 1-2 page comparison of the poem "There Was Once" by Margaret Atwood with Charles Perrault's "The Sleeping Beauty in The Wood." Focus on the following questions when writing your response: How are Perrault's story and Atwood's poems examples of literature? Discuss how they reflect the definitions of literature.
2. Choose two characters from the (Coming of Age, Love, etc. Unit) and examine the characters' views about romance. Which are the most compatible with yours when you were thirteen? How have your views about romance changed since that time? Write a 3-5 page essay that analyzes the views expressed in the literature and how they compare to your own.
3. When you talk about love, do you have to talk about sex? What happens when sex enters the conversation? Does it help or hinder a relationship? Analyzing two pieces of literature studied in the Love Unit (variable depending on syllabus) develop an argument in response to the above questions.
4. Write an essay that explores the type of stereotyping and oppression exposed in the literature from Oppression and Social Change Unit. How does oppression affect a certain group of people: i.e. women, children, African-Americans, etc.? How does it impact how these people locate themselves in the larger culture? Why?