

# College Composition: Apocalypse Definition Essay

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When I was younger, about 8 - 9 years old, I enjoyed watching shows like **Popular Mechanics**, **National Geographic**, etc. But I regretted watching one of the **National Geographic** videos for almost 2 years. The video talked about sinkholes, which terrorized me. Since I was a very optimistic, naive little kid who didn't think anything was wrong in the world, this took its toll on me. My bubble of a world shook. The world wasn't all flowers and roses anymore. I created many dark ideas about how the world may end., from fire and flames to floods and light beaming from the sky. From that day on, I imagined every day as the last day. Every day, I would act as if it was my last day, spending countless hours reading about sinkholes. Every time I'd close my eyes, I would hear the piercing sound coming from the sinkholes and visually see it as if I was falling into one. My family forbade me from reading any more books on the matter. Eventually, like all little kids, I grew out of this phobia.

The first example of an apocalyptic movie is **Train to Busan**. The main plot of the movie is about a father and his daughter trying to make their way across **South Korea**, via a train, which out of nowhere, a virus starts to spread among the passengers. The said virus kills the victim and makes them become a zombie. This is a special movie since it focuses on different aspects, which other zombie movies may not. It criticizes society on many levels, one being, how humans are and how an event so colossal as an apocalypse can show their true skin. Another key element that makes this movie so great is the likability of the characters. Usually, we see one main character who survives by sheer luck or by sacrificing everybody to save himself. In this movie, the clever ones are the people standing in the end if they decide not to sacrifice themselves to save everybody else.

At first, I assumed that the term **Apocalypse** meant the end of the world. Although that definition is a worldwide accepted meaning, I believe there are other definitions or interpretations. One may be *Apocalypse brings out the true nature of the human being, which helps you distinguish your friends and family from your enemies, it may bring on a new beginning*. The first section states that an apocalyptic event brings out the true nature of the human being, whether that is helping others and sacrificing yourself if needed or sacrificing others to help yourself. The second section states that there may be another chapter in the world's life, but since we humans are measly and pathetic, we may never comprehend that fact.