

Readings for Synthesis Essay Option 2

Below are the readings for Option 2. If you choose this topic to write your synthesis essay on, you need to read at least three articles from the list below. As you read, ask yourself questions and try to think of some interesting aspects of the issue. Click on the links below or copy and paste them into your browser.

Option 2: Importance of a College Education

New Study Shows Value of a College Education

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/news/nation/2014/02/11/new-study-shows-value-college-education/3IWWEOXwQEAcMFSy09msOK/story.html>

The Importance of College: A Self-Fulfilling Prophecy

<http://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2011/06/the-importance-of-college-a-self-fulfilling-prophecy/241092/>

The University Teaches You No Skills—Just a New Way to Think

<http://www.wired.com/2014/10/minerva-project/>

The Risks of Investing in a College Education

<http://fortune.com/2015/03/25/the-risks-of-investing-in-a-college-education/>

Plan B: Skip College

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/05/16/weekinreview/16steinberg.html?pagewanted=all>

“Kid, I’m Sorry, but You’re Just Not College Material” is What We Should be Telling a Lot of High School Students

http://www.slate.com/articles/life/education/2014/03/college_isn_t_for_everyone_let_s_stop_pretending_it_is.html