

Semester-Long Topic Test

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Quiz Instructions

Homework Information

This activity consists of short answer questions related to your topic for the semester-long projects. Answer the questions below to test the topic you want to propose. You must be able to answer “Yes” to every question to have a topic that works. You can complete the activity as many times as you like, until the grace period ends.

Grading

Traci will check this homework activity manually, so allow a day or two for her to respond. If you do not earn a full 100 points, you should revise your topic and try again. To work for the semester, your topic must pass all of these tests.

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Question 1 20 pts

The Major Test

Answer the Test Questions

- Does your topic specifically relate to your major?
- Is it a topic that a person in your career field knows about?

Example Response

Yes. I'm majoring in Technical & Scientific Communication. I'm focusing on copyright and Creative Commons. Those concepts relate to my major since the communication I do needs to respect ownership laws for intellectual property. Additionally, things I write will be protected by these guidelines and laws.

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The Technical Topic Test

Answer the Test Questions


- Does your topic fit in one of these categories?
 - It's an **object** in my field.
 - It's a **practice** in my field.
 - It's an **idea** in my field.

Example Response

Yes. I'm focusing on copyright and Creative Commons. These concepts are practices in my field—writing and creation of digital media. Majors in my field apply these guidelines to their work in order to control the use and reuse of their work.

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Question 3 20 pts

The *Ut Prosim* Test

Answer the Test Questions


- Does writing about your topic have the potential to serve others and contribute to the greater good?
- Does it have the potential to create a positive impact?

Example Response

Yes. Helping others understand how copyright and Creative Commons work is a positive service. I can serve others by writing about these concepts in ways that will give them the power to protect their creative work. They also need to know how to avoid violating someone else's intellectual property rights, which can result in costly fines and sometimes embarrassment.

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Question 4 20 pts

The Informational Project Test

Answer the Test Questions



- Is your topic something you can write an informational report on?
- Can you tell readers details such as what the topic is, how it works, what it does (without advocating or arguing for a specific position)?

Example Response

Yes. Copyright and Creative Commons are complicated concepts, and people often misunderstand how they work. I can write documents that explain what the concepts are as well as projects that show people how to add copyright or Creative Commons licenses to their work.

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Question 5 20 pts

The Local Focus Test

Answer the Test Questions

- Is your topic addressing a community group, a city or town, a county, or a similar local area or group?
- Can you include a relevant reference or the specific name of the local area or group when you state your topic?

Example Response

Yes. I am writing about copyright and Creative Commons as it relates to **Maroon + Orange Digital's Teen Artists' Studio**.

I'd state my topic as copyright and Creative Commons for the community of **Maroon + Orange Digital's Teen Artists' Studio**.

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Question 6 0 pts

Anything Else? (Optional)

If there's anything else you want to tell me or ask about your proposed topic, add it here. If not, just skip the question.

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Question 7 0 pts

Honor Pledge

I have neither given nor received unauthorized assistance on this assignment.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

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