

Level 5 Composition Research Prompt

Write a three page research paper on the following question:

How can people make changes in society? Describe several effective ways to change society in lasting, constructive ways.

Use APA format and include three sources in your paper.

INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PAPER ASSIGNMENT
 (Chapters 4, 5)

1) Have you carefully introduced and established the purpose of your paper?

	Criteria	Assessment
Introductory information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attracts the reader's attention • Introduces topic • Establishes the significance of the topic • Provides necessary background information 	Excellent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-13 points • Has few or no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-9 points • Has one or two significant problems in this area Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 points or lower • Has three or more significant problems in this area
Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents a topic and focus that are appropriate, logical and reasonable for the scope of the paper. • Accurately reflects the main ideas of the paper • Is placed at the end of your introduction. 	
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2) Are the supporting points appropriately developed in the body of your paper?

	Criteria	Assessment
Paragraph purpose & idea development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose of each paragraph is made clear through the topic sentence. • The function of each body paragraph is clearly related to the thesis and a specific supporting point. • Ideas developed in the body are balanced and appropriate in scope. 	Excellent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-13 points • Has few or no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-8 points • Has one or two significant problems in this area
Idea organization within the body of the paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas build logically from one paragraph to the next. • The relationship between paragraphs is clearly established through topic, concluding or transitions sentences. 	Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 points or lower • Has three or more significant problems in this area
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3) How have you developed your ideas within each paragraph?

	Criteria	Assessment
Paragraph development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each paragraph develops one key idea that is introduced through the topic sentence. • There is adequate information to clearly establish the point in each paragraph. • Each paragraph includes at least one piece of outside evidence. • Each paragraph shows evidence of critical thinking and analysis 	Excellent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25-22 points • Has few or no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21-18 points • Has one or two significant problems in this area Below expectations
Idea organization within paragraphs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas build logically from one point to the next within the paragraph. • The relationship between ideas within each paragraph is clearly established through guiding language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 points or lower • Has three or more significant problems in this area
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4) Have you used evidence from your sources effectively and accurately within the paper?

	Criteria	Assessment
Evidence selection and integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pieces of evidence are appropriate for the point you are making. • A variety of types of evidence is used. • All evidence is carefully explained and connected to the point being made. • Credentials of experts are provided when appropriate 	Excellent 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25-22 points • Has few or no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21-18 points • Has one or two significant problems in this area
Paraphrases and quotations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paraphrased evidence is accurate and differs from the original text. • Quotes are used appropriately • No more than 15% of the evidence is quoted material. 	Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 points or lower • Has three or more significant problems in area
Documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every piece of evidence is correctly cited within your paper using APA style. • All sources are cited correctly on the References page(s). • Only sources used in the paper are listed in the References. 	Excellent 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-9 points • Has few or no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-7 points • Has one or two significant problems in this area Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 points or lower • Has three or more significant problems in area
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5) How have you closed your paper?

	Criteria	Assessment
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The conclusion contains the restated thesis statement • The conclusion reinforces the main message of the paper. • The conclusion has an ending comment that inspired the reader to keep thinking about your topic. 	Excellent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 points • Has no problems in this area Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-6 points • Has one problem in this area Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 points or lower • Has two or more problems in this area
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6) Is your language use within the paper accurate and effective?

	Criteria	Assessment
Language control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cohesion is built throughout the paper through appropriate grammatical and lexical choices. • Variety of sentence structures • Accurate sentence structure construction • Appropriate vocabulary choice • Accurate use of grammar; no grammar errors which interfere with understanding of the meaning 	Excellent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-13 points Satisfactory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-10 points Below expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 points or lower
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Final Draft

Throughout our lives, most people look for serious change in their community or themselves. How can people make changes in society? In this world, many people need aid from others or want to know what is the best way to find their goal for their issues, and whatever the issues may cause, we have many kind of issues at the world the purpose is important. I focus on social change, and how people have the ability to change/see/argue their issues. How they challenge their lives that are more important in their lives to know the best way or find the characteristics of heroism in their lives. Belief in societal change depends on the ability of the community to respond to social challenging challenges.

Comment [CJM1]: Give me some examples of issues.

People mostly people looking look for hero that person can change more things inside them. We belief believe in that person, and we call him a hero of our community, he aid to change those people. Tollefson (1993) writes In the article "People Who Make Change" First Name Tollefson (1993). How the hero can change them what is the secret he hold it. In article he says- Hero server powers or principles large than themselves" (p.160). Most people need some aid from other almost of those kind of people already have the strategy of change, but they miss who are can implement them. In addition, often hero is victim in every issues involved by it. For example, any president of any

Comment [CJM2]: Make sure you write the quote word for word.

Comment [CJM3]: miss what? miss who?

~~country countries~~ can't ~~get~~ involved in any wars with his soldiers ~~just common them~~ from his office. That is rare if you find president involved himself in any wars.

Most people want to be hero and to challenge themselves to make change for their community. Makes social change is often related to many attributes. First Name Polster (2001) writes in "Eve's Doughtier" that heroes have many traits and hold them without ever knowing them. ~~Then he says~~ Polster continues, "All heroism is characterized by theses five basic traits I have just describe: respect for human life, faith in one's ability to make a difference, original perspective, physical and mental courage, and public or un public impact" (p.163). In other words, these attributes are core of anyone want to be hero for make a change to something in his society, ~~or specially~~. In fact the five basic traits if gathered ~~in by~~ one person will make ambition for what want and also are making another community for achieve more what they planned.

Comment [CJM4]: This is a good topic sentence

Most people take a higher risks for support or prove something, ~~by trail~~. Belief in extreme sport, but some times not belief to sport throws ~~me them~~ to death. First Name Smith (2006) writes in "Extreme Sports: More to this title" about extreme sports and how it affects society. People are going to be on the higher risk if they play or try it. ~~She Smith~~ writes "People who choose to take risk are irresponsible" (p.157). In other words, some of those people take kind of any sport for prove something deferent to the world that may result in their deaths or exposing them to injuries. ~~For example, accordant to the News Felix, Baumgartner is aiming to pull off a record breaking free fall jump from the edge of space Tuesday, wearing nothing but a space suit, a helmet and a parachute. His goal is not only to jump from a higher altitude than anyone ever has 120,000 feet, more than three times the cruising altitude of the~~

average airliner. He is proving now to the world a new rules in Physics That kind of. challenge to discover new thing to help Technology to be more developer than was and also help the people in the world to change their social community by development that is reason to people make a change their lives.

Comment [CJM5]: You can use this example, but don't introduce it in a more informal way. If not, you have to add it to your reference page.

Rarely do we find people who are working for to change their communities. Martin Luther king, Jr. ~~Who~~ worked for racial equality and civil rights in the United States of America. Smith (2006). She writes in "Extreme Sport". Select the risk that the results are difficult but, to achieve a particular goal. She Smith (2006)-writes "Intrinsically risky endeavor that selects individual who are high in sensation seeking"(p.158). In other words, we can see how Martin Luther King Jr. could be looked at as a person who took a risk, Jr.knew that ~~was a tremendously powerful organizer. In a speech in Memphis in 1968, he rallied listeners with the words, "Let us rise up tonight with a greater readiness. Let us stand with a greater determination. And let us move on in these powerful days, these days of challenge, to make America what it ought to be. We have an opportunity to make America a better nation." We at the Community Tool Box ask that you take that opportunity that you work to organize people for a better community, a better nation, and finally a better world.~~

Comment [CJM6]: The beginning of plagiarism.

Comment [CJM7]: Do you represent the "Community Tool Box"? Did you write this part?

Comment [CJM8]: You can mention the speech, but don't quote it. You should focus more on the articles.

To sum up, most societal change depends on the ability of the community to respond to social challenges. The change come from determination and seriousness that -will make a good result in the future with change many wrong in the past. Will not throw your life to be death but need to be more ambition to achieve what you want. The

sky will not rain more heroes be hero by five characterized you can hold it you are going to be changer for your live. Everyone can be hero if you get it to help ~~an-other~~ people want you in that time you ordered from them. Inside everyone hero, you can serve your power or principle to make a deferent for your life and other people life. ~~The power of an organized community working together to reach agreed upon goals is nothing short of spectacular. There is no more important step to take than organization when trying to improve life in our communities. And so, it is crucial for those of us working for our communities to understand how to do so effectively. Person can gives more than what gives, no possible in this world can make a change community any time anywhere, but must be able to do it.~~

Comment [CJM9]: ??

Comment [CJM10]: Plagiarism

Danny, you have an excellent thesis statement, but your delivery was not as smooth. Always write clear and defined topic sentences. The assignment asked you to use 3 articles. I did not want students to use other sources for this paper. More importantly, there were two parts that you did not write, and that is the main reason for your score. You cannot get a passing grade on this assignment because you plagiarized. I can give you partial credit for work done. 53/113. Here is the website address and article.

http://ctb.ku.edu/en/tablecontents/sub_section_main_1053.aspx

In Summary

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Martin Luther King, Jr. was a tremendously powerful organizer. In a speech in Memphis in 1968, he rallied listeners with the words, "Let us rise up tonight with a greater readiness. Let us stand with a greater determination. And let us move on in these powerful days, these days of challenge, to make America what it ought to be. We have an opportunity to make America a better nation." We at the Community Tool Box ask that you take that opportunity -- that you work to organize people for a better community, a better nation, and finally, a better world.

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The Power of Opportunity for Change

Taking the advantage of opportunity is the first step towards a better society.

Opportunity can become a means of power. ~~They~~ People can take the power of opportunity to change their current life, improve environment, and achieve their goals. However, the true question is how can people make changes in society? They can take nonviolent action, strive for education, and make money to change their life. Although it can be a risk or not work, people ought to take the power of opportunity to changes their society. Difficulties we encounter can be changed by the power of opportunity, so we should try to find ~~the~~ a way to figure out. The most important thing is the power of opportunity for everyone, so people can have chance to try what they want to do.

Comment [CJM1]: Good introduction and thesis

People can make changes in society by taking risk and a little adventure. In "Living on the Edge: Extreme sports and Their Role in Society" Julia Smith (2006) mentions "What would be the effect on society if we made it difficult for people to engage in their types of activities? (p.157) She suggests by curbing people's passions and limiting access to activities is dangerous. We may encourage people who want to do extreme sports. On the contrary, if we limit people to take risk, we will encounter greater risk in the form of additions, crime and health problems the end result of which is a heavy burden for society to bear. (Smith, 2006). Although Smith is writing about sports, we can see that risk is important for a healthier and strong society.

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Comment [CJM3]: YES!!!

In my opinion, I disagree with limiting any access to activities because everyone

needs to take risk and have a little adventure. As per Smith (2006) asserts that "Type T personality types as risk-taker and adventurers who seek excitement and stimulation whenever they can find or create it" (p.158) Taking the opportunity and putting yourself in a risky situation and overcoming fear and puzzle can make you stronger. Several years ago, I went to Bali and Phuket for diving, basically I was so afraid of diving, but finally overcome fear. Also, for example, my friend knows it is dangerous to go mountain biking, but he still goes to mountain biking at leisure time. He wants to take risks to challenge his ability. Every time, he overcomes difficulty, he can get more confidence. Smith (2006) also discusses that "The right to risk is unalienable. It makes our society healthier and more vibrant."(p.159) Therefore, I agree with that idea, we should take risk to do more thing we never do, try to change our environment and society by taking the power of opportunity. People take advantage of opportunity by taking a risk or going on an adventure to which can change their thoughts and put it into action a plan of change.

People can also make changes by taking advantage of social welfare or institution opportunity. In "The Role of the Corporation in Supporting Local Development" Muhammed Yunus (2000) asserts that poor people always can't receive good social welfare or support from a lot of institutions such as banks always lend money to rich people. For instance, bank Gameen, the less you have, the more attractive you are. If you have nothing, you have the highest priority. So they get opportunity that they never had. Moreover, she claims to justify all human beings, we need to create social business of doing goods to others such as charity not only the capital system to make money. Finally, provide the power of opportunity for people who need assistance. (Yunus, 2000) To support people who needs help is very important in society. Yunus is writing about the way to help poor people, everyone should pay more attention on what's their potential and how to inspire their thoughts to change.

Comment [CJM4]: Transition into this quote

Comment [CJM5]: Excellent use of the topic sentence, summary, and support.

In my opinion, I totally agree Yunus's point of view to support people who need help. Yunus (2000) mentions that "If you have nothing, you have the highest priority" (p.168) They help people who have nothing, but still have chance to change their life through lending money, assisting by social business such as charity, providing good education. Because there's a lot of people can't receive help in the world or under unfair situation. For ~~instance~~example, I read a couple of weeks ago, a news that a girl was recovering after being attacked on her way home from Mingora, Pakistan. She was shot by a group of fighters. The girl was trying to strive for an education and take advantage of an opportunity. Even though she encountered such a horrible accident, and it's unfair for the girls who can't go to school, she is an example of how taking advantage of an opportunity is not always an easy path. Only people go to school they can improve their society and get away from poverty and disease. Thus, the girl needs to be transferred to another place to make sure her safety and continue to complete education. If want to remove poverty, people should take advantage of receiving education, besides, take this opportunity to improve environment and make changes to their family and their society in a better situation.

People can take nonviolent action to make changes in society. In "Agents of Change and Nonviolent Action" Hardy Merriman (2008) indicates that "Nonviolent is a way for ordinary people to fight their rights, freedom, and justice."(p.165) It is important to understand why people obey and behave as they do in the first place. Many people have forgotten that they are the true power holders in society. Furthermore, taking successful movements not only tell people that they are powerful, they demonstrate people's power by setting clear, achievable, objectives and documenting and publicizing their victories. Moreover, nonviolent action-consist of public protests, expressions of outrage, and moral injunctions. (Merriman, 2008) Although Merriman is writing about nonviolent action, we

should emphasize people's courage to take advantage of opportunity, not only respect for the successful result but also the spirit of ~~striving~~ striving process.

On the contrary, it's not easy for people to take nonviolent action all the time ~~because~~ because of government, social pressure, etc. Merriman (2008) claims that "Successful nonviolent movements throughout history, however, have awakened around a common vision and acts strategically are far stronger than armies and money" (p.166). In history, there's a lot of ~~victoires~~ victories of nonviolent actions people who strive for their right of equality.

"People around the world are increasingly looking toward nonviolent action as a pragmatic way to empower their communities to win human rights; and environmental protection" (p.167). For instance, Obama had a chance to win the presidency because of the Civil Rights Movement's nonviolent protests. Also, women protested for sex, career and societal equality, so they could prove their ability is equal to men. Aside from above examples, I heard that women from Saudi Arabia ~~that they can't drive in their country~~ shocks me a lot. Owing to most countries despite men, women also have right to drive. Especially, we see a lot of women in America ~~work at the DMV, and~~ who drive cars and trucks. Therefore, perhaps, when women from Saudi Arabia go abroad ~~to~~ and see different life style from their country and experience culture shock, they can take nonviolent action to change the stereotype in their country and try to change why women can't drive. They should express their thoughts by nonviolent action. Consequently, don't ignore that everyone has right to prove their ability and has right to take nonviolent action although it's a risk or doesn't work. Only if you take the power of opportunity to try your best, you will know your ability and strive for the rights of human beings. ~~Also, women in Saudi Arabia can take advantage of opportunity to change society.~~

Therefore, people can make changes in society by taking the power of opportunity. It is

very important for people who take risk to achieve their goals. Only ~~if~~when everyone gets the chance and believes in themselves, ~~that~~is when they can do something different. They can make changes in society by improving life environment for poor people, increasing the opportunity of receiving education, and providing well social support and the charity for poor people. They need to take risk in advance, and besides, they can attempt to comprehend their potential abilities even if the result doesn't work. Just take a risk to try and see what is possible and people can then begin to take the power of opportunity to change their society and environment.

Comments:

Lydia, you hit a home run with this research paper. You took my suggestions and you applied them. This is an important skill that many students lack. I changed some words and verbs around, but overall you had an excellent paper. 81/113