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Junior Thesis

**Junior Thesis (JT) Milestone #7**

**Background**:

Now that you’ve completed your detailed outline, it’s time to start writing. This assignment will ask you to write your first full draft of the paper, as we’re nearing the finish line…

**Directions:**

Follow these steps to successfully complete Milestone #7:

1. **Bibliography**: This should already be done by this point, but make sure that the bibliography you hand in with the final draft is in its final form, with proper formatting throughout.
2. **Detailed Outline:** First, revise your detailed outline based on my feedback and schedule a meeting with me if necessary to go over the comments.
3. **Rough Draft!:** Use that revised outline to write a *full, complete* draft of the paper. In order to receive credit for the rough draft, the paper must be complete (10-14 pgs.) – so an 8 pg. paper will not be accepted. This rough draft will include:

 **Final thesis statement, underlined** for easy reference.

**Title Page**: Includes creative and relevant title (with or without a subtitle), your name, our class, my name and date of submission. No pictures on the title page, please.

**Binding**: Paper is stapled or paper-clipped together only. No plastic covers, folders, etc.

**Length**: 2,500-3,500 words (10-14 pages). A **word count** is included on the last page of the body of the paper. Word Count can be found under the “Tools” menu in Microsoft Word. *Word count does not include title page, bibliography or Bibliographic Essay.*

**Mechanics**: All pages of the paper should be in 12-point font, double-spaced with standard margins. This means 1.25” left margin, 1” top and bottom, left justified. Printed in black ink. Please use only Times New Roman font (this font) for clarity. Printer failure or insufficient ink is not an acceptable excuse for a late rough draft.

**Spell check**- automated & human: Run spell check to catch silly spelling mistakes. This will not catch words that are spelled correctly but are not the right word; for example, “wood” when you mean “would.” Only a careful reading by you will catch these kinds of typos. One technique that works very well is to read the paper aloud to yourself. The ear catches mistakes that the eye misses. W

**Page Numbers**: Pages are numbered somewhere at the bottom of the page. The first actual page of the paper (not the Title Page) is page number one. Page numbers can be easily added and automatically updated in Microsoft Word. Pull down the “Insert” menu, and select “”Page Numbers.” Choose “Bottom” and either Center or Right.

**Citations**: When appropriate (see separate handout)

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**Grade:**

JT #7 will count as a 20-point test grade. If any aspect of JT #7 is late or incomplete at that point, you’ll lose points. You won’t be graded on the content of your *ideas* and quality of your evidence (that will happen in the final draft). Instead, this will be a reflection of how well you have completed the assignment.

**Due Date:**

Everything is due on **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .** Please plan accordingly and budget your time.

In addition to our scheduled check-in meeting, I strongly recommend making an appointment to meet with me if you have any concerns.