

## Essay 1 Directions

Please read and follow directions carefully.

*Adhere exactly to the outline.*

Write a 2-3-page (at least 500 words) **thesis-driven** essay in which you discuss one of the ideas expressed in “Overview of ‘The Most Handsome Drowned Man’” by Dean Rader (*secondary source*) about the story by Gabriel Garcia Marquez (*primary source*).

- Please write in the present verb tense for ENG 201 essays.
- Avoid generalizations and observations that are outside the bounds of the literary text you are discussing.
- Be very specific and give details.
- Do not critique/compliment the author or attempt to define what the author’s intent is with respect to the reading audience.
- Follow all formatting and style guides to citation, thesis statement, and insertion of quotations.

### OUTLINE

#### Original Title

(Try to make it interesting!)

#### Introduction

- Identify the title and author of the *primary* source (the story). Give a very brief 2-3-sentence overview of what happens in the story.
- Identify the title and author of the *secondary* source (the article). Tell what idea from the article interests you most.
- Write a thesis statement (one sentence) that tells why you find this one idea interesting.

#### Body

- Support your thesis by referring to the story (*primary source*) and the article (*secondary source*).

- Include at least two quotes from the story (*primary source*) to support your thesis. Include in-text citation (author's last name.)
- Include at least two quotes from the secondary source. Include in-text citation (author's last name).

## Conclusion

- Restate (not repeat) your **thesis**.
- Sum up your main ideas.

## Work Cited Page

- Include a separate Work Cited page following MLA format. Scroll down for the citation for the primary source (story). Copy the citation from the secondary source (literary article).

## Academic Integrity Pledge

- Include a 3-4-sentence statement in which you tell in your own words what a decision to use Chat GTP or other bots reveals about your values. Pledge that you have not used AI to write or refine your essay.

## Citations for the stories:

*Notice that a hanging indent should be used. That means indent for every line after the first one. Double space and put sources in alphabetical order.*

Marquez, Gabriel Garcia. "The Most Handsome Drowned Man in the World." *An*

*Introduction to Fiction*. Eds. X.J. Kennedy and Dana Gioia. New York: Pearson

Longman, 2007. 536-540.

Rader, Dean. "Overview of 'The Handsomest Drowned Man'." *Literature of Developing Nations*

*for Students: Presenting Analysis, Context, and Criticism on Literature of Developing*

*Nations*, edited by Elizabeth Bellalouna, et al., vol. 1, Gale, 2000. *Gale Literature*

*Resource Center.*

For in-text citation, place the last name of the author in parenthesis. Include page numbers only if they are available. Do not use commas; e.g. (Joyce) or (Joyce 3)