**Unit 1 Essay: The Proliferation of Technology**

Task: Select one of the questions below. Build a three -page argument in response. Your argument should have all the components described on the “Anatomy of an Argument” handout. You are required to use three sources from the Unit 1 Stimulus Packet, and may use additional outside sources if you choose. All sources must be cited in proper MLA format; this includes both in-text citations and a Works Cited page.

* Consider the potential consequences of technological proliferation; which pose the greatest challenges?
* To what degree does technology provide an effective medium for people to form meaningful connections?

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| **Essay 1 Timeline** | | |
| **Date** | **In Class** | **At Home** |
| Tuesday 9/24 | Be curious and **QUESTION**  Discuss essay questions. Form a hypothesis in response to question of your choice. | Begin reading and annotating articles from the stimulus that speak to your hypothesis. |
| Wednesday 9/25 | **UNDERSTAND and EVALUATE**  Continue to read and annotate articles that speak to your hypothesis. Be certain to record evidence using a system that allows easy access when writing essay. Gathering evidence will help you evaluate your hypothesis and move from hypothesis to thesis. | Begin **SYNTHESIS**  Finalize thesis. Organize evidence from stimulus packet. |
| Thursday 9/26 | **TRANSMIT**  Begin writing your argument. Be certain to build ALL parts of your argument, noting the function of each. | **TRANSMIT**  Continue writing your argument. Be certain to build ALL parts of your argument, noting the function of each. |
| Friday 9/26 | **TRANSMIT and EVALUATE**  Continue writing your argument. Be certain to build ALL parts of your argument, noting the function of each.  EVALUATE your argument. Are there “evidence holes”? If so, find additional evidence to support your argument. | **TRANSMIT and EVALUATE**  Continue writing your argument. Be certain to build ALL parts of your argument, noting the function of each.  EVALUATE your argument. Are there “evidence holes”? If so, find additional evidence to support your argument. |
| 9/28- 10/3 |  | Continue **evaluating** and **revising** yourargument. |
| Thurs 10/3 | Essays in class for research check. |  |
| Friday 10/4 | Final draft of essay 1 due. |  |

You should have come to class today with your answer to yesterday’s question. This is your HYPOTHESIS. To move from hypothesis to thesis, you need to research. You should have started this process You should