

**Mark Twain Final Paper/Project**

**Due Date:** To be listed on Google Classroom, [mrmartinwhs.weebly.com](http://mrmartinwhs.weebly.com), and on [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com).



**For this project, you have two options:**

**Option 1:** Write a traditional academic argument, 3-5 pages in MLA style, using evidence and analysis.

**Option 2:** In a group of 1-4, you will present in an academic symposium. In a Powerpoint, Keynote, Prezi, or Google Slide, you will present the following to the class:

*Sample Slide Order:* Thesis, Example 1, Analysis for Example 1, Example 2, Analysis for Example 2, Repeat until all evidence exhibited, Conclusion.

In your presentation, you will discuss all areas of your paper (Grabber, Topic Background, Topic Sentences, Analysis/Reasoning, etc.) and be able to answer questions/critiques from your peers.

**Prompts:**

- Many say that *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is the “central document of American culture” and one of the greatest pieces of American Literature. Do you agree? Argue for or against with evidence.
- Is *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* a racist book? Or is it simply a book about racism? Argue your position with evidence and analysis.
- Argue how *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is a satire of one or of the following: adulthood, class, slavery, Jim Crow segregation, or any other area.
- Perform one of the following literary criticisms of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*: Historical, Feminist, Marxist, Psychoanalytical.
- Would you like to prove something else? Come see me for a thesis meeting for approval.

**Rubrics**—Papers will use Common Core 11-12 Argument Writing Rubric

**Presentations will be graded on the following:**

Thesis—10, Evidence Use—25, Analysis—25, Presentation—25, Mechanics—10, Question Responses—5