Documented Essay: Worldview Analysis

This will be a Documented Literary Analysis of 3-4 pages (see Course Policy Sheet for specifications). This paper does require outside research. You must cite your original subject and at least two outside critical sources. These sources must come from scholarly databases, and the articles must be from peer-reviewed journals or texts.

Topic:

Analyze a current news magazine article, a current newspaper article, or a popular secular song’s lyrics and determine the worldview of the author. Be sure to read closely and accurately. The analysis needs to be objective—explaining only what the worldview of the text seems to be and supporting your analysis with quotations from the text. At the end of your analysis, in either a final body paragraph or in the conclusion, you are welcome to include your own opinions of and responses to the worldview.

Note: Choose texts with identifiable biases. Avoid objective news reports in which biases, hence worldviews, are less readily apparent. You can use the question in the James Sire handout to give you some vocabulary for considering the worldview of the author. Answer as many of the questions as possible about your subject.

Use your secondary sources to support your own assertions or perhaps to present opposing or differing views. Document correctly, using both parenthetical citations and a Works Cited page, all in proper MLA format.

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