Paper 1: Writing Narratives
Due: Tuesday, April 4th
Length: 4 – 5 pages plus a Works Cited page

For this paper, you will be doing two things:

1) Responding to one of the films below (2 – 2 ½ pages)
2) Writing your own scene to add to the film you’ve chosen (2 – 2 ½ pages)

- *The Birds* (Dir. Alfred Hitchcock, 1963)
- *Grizzly Man* (Dir. Werner Herzog, 2005)

Part 1:

Please choose one film from the list above and write a 2 – 2 ½ page response to the work. Here are the things I want to know: **What do you think about the work and why do you hold this opinion?**

Your opening paragraph should introduce your chosen text and author and give a very brief summary of the work (1 paragraph). The rest of this section should be dedicated to your response. Be sure to use **at least two direct quotes**, properly cited in MLA format.

Part 2:

Take the role of playwright/screenwriter: write your own 2 – 2 ½ page scene for the text you’ve chosen above, using the parameters of the work itself.

- Your scene can be a new beginning or ending, or it can fall somewhere in the middle.
- You can create new characters or use existing ones.
- The goal is to make your scene **plausible** – meaning, does it fit into the existing work? Will your reader buy it?
- Take into consideration the **genre** of the film you’re working on (horror or documentary).

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Formatting notes:

1) Papers should be typed, double-spaced, Times New Roman 12-point font. All papers should be emailed to claudiamorenoparsons@gmail.com or posted to Google Drive by midnight.

2) All files need to be .doc, .docx, or .rtf, and all files, including those posted to Google Drive, must include your last name and assignment subject in the file name (for example, ParsonsPaper1.doc). Please note: I will return all incorrectly named files without reading them. Don’t run the risk of a late paper!

3) The heading at the top of the first page of all work should consist ONLY of your name and assignment title.

Works Cited and Secondary Sources: Please include a Works Cited page (this is a separate page after the body of the paper) for all materials you read and used to help you with this paper, using MLA formatting. You will need to include whichever primary source you’ve chosen from above; you do not need any other materials to write this paper, though if you do, be sure to cite them properly.

Late Projects: This project is due on April 4th to receive full credit. Late papers will lose one half of a letter grade for each day they are late, including days we do not meet (for example, a B will become a B- if the paper is one day late). I suggest you email or post to Google Drive late papers as quickly as possible in order to minimize point loss.