

21W.022.03 Spring 2014 Workshop Essay #2 Review Form

Reviewer _____ **Writer** _____

Session 12: Review essay on this form. When reviewing on the form, use back, if needed.

Session 13: Download form; type responses. Email review forms to me; bring marked-up essays and two copies of review forms to class.

1. What do you like most about this essay? What do you learn or find most interesting?
2. Comment on the title.
3. How well does the introduction engage you? Suggest improvements.
4. How successful is the writer in exploring a larger topic through the lens of personal experience? Do you understand what the larger question is? Suggest areas for improvement (e.g., any missing information).
5. How effective is the writer's style of weaving secondary sources into the narrative?
6. How well do secondary sources support the writer's points? Are facts or quotes from sources well chosen? Suggest additional sources/ types of sources.
7. Is the piece clearly organized so readers can follow the movement of thought? Identify any transition problems or sections or paragraphs that would work better if reordered or omitted.
8. How powerful is the conclusion in dynamically recapping the main points or opening reflection on the topic being addressed? Suggest improvements.
9. Suggest improvements at the sentence level by commenting directly on the essay itself. List recurrent problems on this form (e.g., overuse of being verbs, missing commas).

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