

Course: COMP106 – Intermediate Writing
Instructor: V. Levitt
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First assignment: write an essay using the Toulmin model of argument.

Students have signed up for topic interest groups drawn from those represented in the reader for the course, and they will be working in those groups and writing on their group's general topic throughout the semester.

Group Topic Areas:

"Who's the Fairest of Them All" (body image, media influence on image, eating disorders, this society's interest in makeovers of various degrees and types, etc.)

"Is Sports Just a Proxy for Politics?" (Issues related to Title IX, Female Athletes and Sexual Harassment, issues involving money and sports, issues to do with team mascots and logos, etc.)

"How Does the Media Stereotype You?" (media portrayals of particular groups, setting of double standards between genders, etc.)

"What Role Should Religion Play in Daily Life?" (school prayer in public schools, civil discourse about different religious beliefs, etc.)

"What does your Language Say About You?" and/or "What's It Like to be Bilingual in the United States?" (making the case for early instruction in a second language, helping refugees enter American community, living a life in two languages, etc.)