

# MLA Assignment Instructions

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For this assignment you will be formatting a paper in MLA style and simply writing a few paragraphs. I am NOT grading your writing here; this is practice at MLA format, saving and uploading documents, and a chance for me to point you toward some things to focus on as we start to improve our writing. However, you do need to follow instructions and stay on task with it.

1. **Write 2 paragraphs about this topic:** What is one of your favorite places or events to go to in El Paso? (If you are now living elsewhere, focus on where you live now.)
  - To extend this to 2 paragraphs, think about **describing in detail or telling a story** of one of your favorite memories going there.
  - Make sure you explain **why** it's one of your favorite places to go.
2. **Format your paper in MLA style** using the instructions in [Writing down the Basics](#) and one of the videos you watched for the word processor/computer you're using as given on the [schedule](#).

You do not need a Work Cited page with this assignment.

3. **Proofread carefully.** I suggest you **go to the [Writing Center](#)**. As this is your first writing assignment, if you do, you can earn not just 5 extra credit points, but 10!
4. **Upload the paper** on [Blackboard](#) to the appropriate link. See the schedule.

## General Tips

- Remember, MLA is not picky about font as long as it's a **standard one** like Times New Roman, Calibri, or Arial.
- Make sure to use the same font in both the paper itself **and** the header.
- If you use a template, make sure to check all the aspects of format—**many templates have errors**.

## Grading

This is graded based on these considerations:

- Uploading on time and in the correct format (doc/docx)
  - MLA Format
  - Completing the writing assignment fully and thoughtfully
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