

Spring 2018

Directions for the Common Essay Exam

Based on the information provided in the assigned articles as well as your own experiences, write a thesis-driven essay taking a position on this prompt:

In response to the recent controversies about internet data security, **what changes, if any, should you as a consumer make—or urge others to make?**

- In the introduction of your essay (this may be a summary or another strategy of your choice), include background information that is relevant to your essay and leads to your thesis.
- Underline your thesis statement.
- This should be an argumentative essay, not a personal narrative, though you may use first person experience as support.

Put BOTH your copy of the readings AND this page INSIDE your blue book before turning it in to your instructor.