THE WMC’S GUIDE TO REVISING
THE MIDTERM PAPER FOR HD FS 240

1. INTRODUCTION

- Do you explain the concept and significance of windows and mirrors?
- Do you include a reference to the article that explains windows and mirrors?
- Do you introduce the reader to at least four aspects of your identity?
- To go one step further, did you try to use an interesting hook at the beginning to engage your reader right away?

2. BODY PARAGRAPHS

In each body paragraph…

- Do you include the title, author, and year of publication for the book you’re discussing?
- Do you provide a brief plot summary, including the main characters, setting, conflict, and resolution?
- Do you describe the illustrations used in the book by referencing ideas from Chapter 5 of your textbook?
- Do you reflect on how this book specifically relates to your identity? Do you mention which aspects of the book (plot, characters, illustrations, etc.) contributed to this relation?
3. CONCLUSION

- Do you reflect on how easy/difficult it was to find books that mirrored your childhood identity?
- Do you mention whether certain aspects of your identity were easier to find than others and why?
- Do you discuss whether some mirror books could serve as windows for you as well?
- Do you explain what cultures and identities were represented in the books you chose?
- Do you reflect on what you learned from the assignment as a whole?
- Do you explicitly list three major points that you took away from the assignment?
- Do you conclude with how you will use the information you learned from this assignment in the future?

4. STYLE

Is the writing clear, fluid, and mature?
Do you use precise, appropriate, and vivid word choice?
Are subordination and coordination used effectively?
Are there sentences that could be combined to make the writing less choppy?
Is the writing free from sentence-and word-level errors? Use Grammarly to see what else it can catch. Critically evaluate its suggestions!

5. DELIVERY

- Is the paper size 12 Times New Roman font?
- Is the paper double-spaced?
- Does the paper have a cover page in APA style?
- Are your citations in proper APA style?
- Do you have a separate page for your references in APA style?