

***Frankenstein* Literature Review Paper** **Final Summative Assessment**

Due: Friday, October 30th (11:59pm uploaded to Turnitin.com)

Overview:

A literature review is an evaluative account of what has been published on a topic by scholars and researchers. The purpose of this assignment is to facilitate your abilities to research a topic of study so you can learn to:

1. identify and formulate an inquiry question that defines what you'd like to learn,
2. know how to search and locate literature (e.g. books, journal articles, etc.) using library and internet resources;
3. analyze the information found, and
4. synthesize new knowledge into a written literature review and (5) establish context for your inquiries.

Thus, writing a literature review helps you develop and demonstrate two valuable skills:

1. *Research*: the ability to scan the literature efficiently to identify a set of useful articles and/or books and to obtain those materials.
2. *Critical Evaluation*: the ability to apply principles of analysis to identify unbiased and valid studies.

Literature reviews are routinely included in the opening sections of scholarly research reports. A successful literature review must be defined by a guiding concept such as your research objective, the problem or issue you wish to discuss (an Essential Question).

A literature review is not just a descriptive list of the material available, or a set of summaries

Assignment Description:

For this assignment you are asked to complete a literature review on your Essential Question as it relates to Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. You are to locate at least 3 sources on your topic. Half of your sources must be journal articles or books. You may use credible web sites as well as interviews. You are to write a 4 -6 page (1000-1500 words) literature review based on the sources you have selected. Papers should comply with MLA (Modern Language Association) citation style throughout. Please explore Purdue University's OWL website for style guidelines.

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