



Critical Thinking Forum Creative Expressions

From the editor:

Critical Thinking Forums give students the opportunity to consider and process rather dense course content through creative expression. Family trees, collages, analysis of existing or creating original song lyrics, poetry, videos, and various other art forms are welcomed. The one caveat is the creative piece must reflect some aspect of the student's lived experience as a member of a particular or combination of their multiple intersecting identities. Students are also required to submit a written description or reflection that addresses the relationship between their chosen creative piece and topics covered in a specific course. Some descriptions discuss the evolution of a student's thought processes, factors that have influenced their core beliefs, and values about how the world *should* be and what they *should* expect from said world, as well as issues they are still striving to reconcile that are related to the specific issues conveyed in their creative work.

Note to the reader: Expletives associated with a particular identity group are included. However, such words must have an expressive and substantive purpose. The inclusion of potentially offensive words for entertainment or mere shock value is forbidden.