



## 4.1.10 Practice: Complete Your Assignment

English 9 Sem 2 (S3840727)

Points possible: 30

Practice Assignment

Max MacCormack

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Your ASSIGNMENT

Gather research for an essay about a hoax from the past. Eventually you'll explain the background of the hoax and people's reactions to it, but for now your task is to conduct research.

First you'll come up with a research question that will give you some direction as you search for sources about the topic. You'll find at least five sources and evaluate each for its credibility and relevance. You'll then choose the three strongest.

Your assignment should include the following elements:

- A research question to guide your search for sources
- A list of five sources that can potentially help you answer the research question
- A final list of three sources that are credible and relevant to the topic
- At least one source that is a different type of medium than the others

You should have completed a draft of this assignment in the activity before this one. If you haven't done so, go back and complete that activity now.

# Tips for SUCCESS

Ask yourself these questions as you revise:

- Is my research question specific enough to keep me on topic as I conduct research? Will it lead to an interesting answer that isn't obvious? Will the question require an entire essay to answer?
- Are my sources relevant to the topic? Do they provide enough information to be helpful?
- Are my sources written by authors who have some authority on the subject? Are the publishers credible as well?
- Are my sources reasonably up-to-date?
- Are my sources presented in a professional way? Are they well written and free of obvious errors?
- If my sources are biased in some way, do they at least represent different perspectives?

# Scoring RUBRIC

Use this rubric to determine how well you're meeting the criteria for the assignment.

# COMPLETION

Did you find, evaluate, and list sources for a research essay about a famous hoax from history?

Did you format your assignment according to the guidelines you were given?

CONTENT - 12 POINTS	Possible score	Self-evaluation	Teacher score
Your assignment clearly shows that you understand the purpose of the research paper.	4		
Your assignment includes a research question that is:	4		
• Narrow enough to give your research a clear direction			
• Interesting enough to require in-depth research to answer	4		
RESEARCH - 18 POINTS			
Your assignment includes sources from at least two different media types.	3		
Your assignment lists at least three sources, and they are:	5		
• Credible	3		
• Relevant to your research question	3		
• Not <i>all</i> clearly biased or from the same point of view	2		
Your assignment provides enough information about your sources for you to easily find them later.	2		
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>30</b>		



1. Pick a famous hoax from history (feel free to explore a couple of different ones before settling on one). Why did you pick this hoax?

April fool's Day;

The hoax explains how Medias are willing to believe in rumors. In 1983 a report Fred Bayles interviewed Boskin about how April fool's Day got its name, Boskin responded by saying that no one quite know how the holiday started. Eventually, Boston got fed up with the question and he decided to make up with a story worth printing.

2. In the space below, write the research question that will guide you in your research, including the three things the assignment calls for.

The story behind April fool's day

3. Explore a few different websites and databases, experimenting with different key words and Boolean signifiers. List below five sources that seem trustworthy and that directly answer your research question. (Make sure that the sources represent at least two different media like print and radio or video, image, and print.)

The journal it's always April fool Day on the difficulty of social network misinformation by Mauro Conti, Daniele Lain: the journal explain the impact that online social media has on people and how one can easily spread malicious information.

Humors research, by D Brzozowska.

The research paper on the laughter of fools: the relevance of wisdom in today's by Katharine Dell. The paper is more concerned with the parenting a fool with the problems of communication and the tendency to get into get wrong information through the media.

April fools prank or serious possibility by J Bouoiyour, R selmi; 2015, the author assesses whether Greece withdrawal from Euro to Bitcoins is serious or just an April fool's day joke.

In memoriam: Frederick Rick Ludlow Smith 3 (1939-2014) by John S. White. The author

4. Choose one of these sources and write about how current and relevant it is for your research question.

The research paper on the laughter of fools: the relevance of wisdom in today's by Katharine Dell. The paper is more concerned with the parenting a fool with the problems of communication and the tendency to get into get wrong information through the media.

5. Select another one of your sources and write about how credible and trustworthy it is. What are the credentials of the author or the publication that lead you to believe it's a credible source?

The journal it's always April fool Day on the difficulty of social network misinformation by Mauro Conti, Daniele Lain: the journal explain the impact that online social media has on people and how one can easily spread malicious information

6. Pick a third source from your list and evaluate its credibility based on the writing or presentation. Explain your evaluation below.

April fools prank or serious possibility by J Bouoiyour, R selmi; 2015, the author assesses whether Greece withdrawal from Euro to Bitcoins is serious or just an April fool's day joke.

7. Choose at least three of your five sources for the next part of this assignment. Explain below why you picked these sources.

The journal it's always April fool Day on the difficulty of social network misinformation by Mauro Conti, Daniele Lain: the journal explain the impact that online social media has no people and how one can easily spread malicious information.

The research paper on the laughter of fools: the relevance of wisdom in today's by Katharine Dell. The paper is more concerns with the parenting a fool with the problems of communication and the tendency to get into get wrong information through the media.

April fools prank or serious possibility by J Bouoiyour, R selmi; 2015, the author assesses whether Greece withdrawal from Euro to Bitcoins is serious or just an April fool's day joke.