ESSAY ON *GENDER*:

1) First, please write 2-3 sentences answering this question: What is Lorber's (pdf article, attached) central argument about the reason we distinguish people by gender?

2) Then, please write a well-developed essay in which you describe in detail what you have learned about the concept of *gender* through watching the *Role Reversal* documentary and reading each of these articles. What feels familiar to you? What surprised you?  Please reference both the documentary and each of the 7 readings (including the article by Lorber) in your essay.  It may be useful to use what you saw in the documentary to offer support for the ideas from the articles.

**Zara and Tyler**: As promised I have left the *Role Reversal* video in my mailbox in the College of Education Deans' Office (HH 304) for you to pick up so you may watch it.  The receptionist, Mylin, knows you will be coming, and your names are on the video.  Please let me know if you have questions, and please note: you will need a VHS player to watch the video. If you don't have access to one, you can use one either in the Educational Technology Center on the 2nd floor of Hawkins Hall or in the Media Center of the Cook Library.

please make reference to EACH of the 7 articles and the *Role Reversal* documentary in your essay.

The 1st article in another attached

2) [http://www.npr.org/blogs/alltechconsidered/2013/08/09/210251404/why-arent-more-girls-attracted-to-physics](http://www.npr.org/blogs/alltechconsidered/2013/08/09/210251404/why-arent-more-girls-attracted-to-physics" \t "_blank)

3) [http://nymag.com/thecut/2014/12/stop-blaming-women-for-holding-themselves-back.html](http://nymag.com/thecut/2014/12/stop-blaming-women-for-holding-themselves-back.html" \t "_blank)

4) [http://www.slate.com/blogs/xx\_factor/2014/12/09/gender\_bias\_in\_student\_evaluations\_professors\_of\_online\_courses\_who\_present.html](http://www.slate.com/blogs/xx_factor/2014/12/09/gender_bias_in_student_evaluations_professors_of_online_courses_who_present.html" \t "_blank)

5) [http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/07/upshot/a-child-helps-your-career-if-youre-a-man.html?abt=0002&abg=0&\_r=4](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/07/upshot/a-child-helps-your-career-if-youre-a-man.html?abt=0002&abg=0&_r=4" \t "_blank)

6) [http://www.npr.org/blogs/monkeysee/2014/08/21/342164460/lets-be-cops-but-then-what](http://www.npr.org/blogs/monkeysee/2014/08/21/342164460/lets-be-cops-but-then-what" \t "_blank)

7) [http://www.npr.org/blogs/monkeysee/2014/02/10/274652475/defining-masculinity-down-the-mans-man-game?utm\_medium=Email&utm\_source=DailyDigest&utm\_campaign=20140210](http://www.npr.org/blogs/monkeysee/2014/02/10/274652475/defining-masculinity-down-the-mans-man-game?utm_medium=Email&utm_source=DailyDigest&utm_campaign=20140210" \t "_blank)