Class Notes and Homework

English 105i, Day #14:

"The first draft of anything is sh&%..." -- Ernest Hemingway

"Write. Rewrite. When not writing or rewriting, read. I know of no shortcuts." —Larry L. King

Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not: nothing is more common than unsuccessful [people] with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not: the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. -Calvin Coolidge

- 1. Attendance
 - a. Check in App.
- Do you know how to paraphrase, summarize, quote, and synthesize your citations from my book chapter? If you're still a little confused, just remember this: (i.e., let me summarize...)
 - a. Don't change the meaning of anything.
 - **b.** Cite everything.
 - c. The ONLY time it's ok to not cite (but still MUST signal phrase) is when you do your own analyses of the "implication" of the author's work. And, make it CLEAR that's what you're doing!!
 - d. ONLY summarize NEVER paraphrase nor synthesize!
 - i. We are ONLY going to focus on "<u>summarizing</u>" this semester. So, going forward ONLY summarize! Most important "non-academic" lesson of the semester -- NEVER paraphrase nor synthesize if you want to avoid plagiarism. This will be your easiest way to <u>stay out of trouble</u>.
- 3. How did you do turning you citations into signal phrase sentences?
 - a. Put your best sentence on the board.
 - i. Let's examine a few
 - 1. Leave them on the board for later this class

4. Discussion #2: Understanding Analysis:

One thought on analysis.... Analysis is a way of representing the implications of the causal relationship b/t the x&y variables that the citation sets up. I.e., In our example last class, the "so what" of why this relationship b/t Marijuana being a "gateway" and "three [fold]" under-reported even matters. This is your non-passive VOICE that will build synaptic pathways of learning. This is how you get the big brain!! In an academic paper, the best way to connect these variables is to name what's called a "lens" for analysis. This simplifies the link b/t 'x' and 'y' b/c you're not really saying it's causal, merely that it's only causal through this one exact fulcrum (i.e., the intro concept or lens) Each class will have one lens. Lenses can be:

- Psychoanalytic (i.e. Freudian)
- Economic (e.g., Marxists)
- Feminist Critique
- Archetypal
- Cultural
- Chemical/Biological/Physical

Etc.

Class work:

Class time work: Go back to your sentence on the board and try to add a lens.

Homework:

Since I gave you guys until Friday to get this done, take the work you've already completed for Monday's assignment (due Friday) and, based on what you learned today:

Step #1: Re-order your quotes and makes sure you have a REALLY good story that you understand WHY you're telling this story.

<u>Step #2:</u> Based on what you learned today, redo any signal phrased sentences that are weak to make them stronger. Make sure you have 3 different versions of syntax every 3rd sentence. Feel free to do a few examples in Dr. Hammer's office or with your peer mentor to get your group started.