Guidelines for Book Essays

History 1301

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* Chose one of the three essay topics and respond to it
* **3-5 pages double spaced, Times New Roman font size 12**. Any other font/size will result in loosing points. **Please use Microsoft word**. If you are unable to use Microsoft word, you can convert the document into a PDF file. Only word and PDF files are viewable through D2L.
* Quotes from the book should be cited in parenthetical style at the **end of the sentence**:

**“FDR wasn't always the most beloved president in America” (Brinkley, p.17).**

**(Author, pg. #).**

* Keep citations consistent throughout the **entire paper**
* Be conscious of the amount of direct citation that you use. No more than two sentences of direct quotation per citation. **If you over cite the book you will be deducted points**. There is also never a reason to imbed an entire block of direct citation into your essay. I want to hear *your* voice in the book essay
* Each book essay has to have a **cover page** with your name, the date and the **question # that you responded to.** Failure to provide a cover page or an essay number will result in points being deducted.
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