Final Paper
Guidelines

I. Form:
• 5-7 pages, including "References" page; typed and double-spaced; consult MLA style Handbook or on-line manual, which can be found either under Resources in Blackboard, or on Trexler Library site
• Works Cited page (consult MLA) and pages 401-407 in your CD text.
• Due date: you may submit your paper any time at your convenience between December 5 and December 9. Just leave your paper in my mailbox, and I will read and grade your papers as they arrive. However, 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9 is the deadline

II. Theme:
You will write a research paper about a cultural group of your choice. Your paper should include, but is not limited to, the research presented by you as a part of your team’s oral presentation. You may certainly discuss other sub-themes as you find fit for the topic. DO NOT TRY TO WRITE ABOUT EVERYTHING! Choose three to five important things that you want to present and, perhaps, discuss. Remember, this paper is based on your library research, thus you’re sharing your findings with the reader. Because you have read so much on the topic, you are the expert. Make your paper informative and useful for anyone who knows less than you do about the subject of your research.

III. Structure:
• Based on the evidence that you have collected, develop a thesis statement and an outline. Because I have already seen your outline, you do not need to hand it in. Simply, use it to as an organizational plan for your paper.
  Introductory paragraph
• Underline your thesis statement
• Body of the paper: series of CONNECTED paragraphs (evidence to prove your thesis in the form of specific examples from the text)
• Concluding paragraph
• References (separate page, MLA). You should have a minimum of five sources examined for this research paper and listed in the “References” section. The number of internet sites should not exceed two.
• Please read carefully pages 401-407 in the CD for details on style.

IV. Academic Behavior Code Statement:
Please include the complete Academic Behavior Code statement with your signature: "I pledge that I have fulfilled the requirements of the Academic Behavior Code in this work."

V. Help Getting Started: Be sure to discuss your thesis statement with our writing assistant Nik Pandoursky. Check out Blackboard/Resources for useful writing tips. Also, see the Writing Center's Home Page and Trexler Library's links.
VI. Revised Paper #1 is due Thursday, November 14, in Dr. Iskold's mailbox (Ett. 104) by 4:00 p.m. (Note: I extended the deadline!)