

Into the Wild Essay

Writing from Sources 150 Points



Format:

- MLA Format
- Times New Roman
- 12 font, double-spaced
- One-inch margins
- Approximately 2-3 pp.
- Do not exceed 3 pp.

Directions: Reexamine the excerpts from *The Wild Truth*, the two articles, and *Into the Wild*. Then, write an evidence-based argument on the topic below.

Topic: How should the world remember Christopher McCandless? In other words, generate a thesis statement that clearly captures your perspective of Christopher McCandless.

Your Task: Using evidence from *Into the Wild* and two other texts, write a well-developed argument regarding how the world should remember Christopher McCandless. Clearly establish your claim, distinguish your claim from alternate or opposing claims, and use specific and relevant evidence from three texts to develop your argument. Do not simply summarize each text.

Guidelines:

Be sure to:

1. Establish your claim regarding how the world should remember Chris McCandless.
2. Distinguish your claim from alternate or opposing claims (address the opposition).
3. Use specific, relevant, and sufficient evidence from **three** texts to develop your argument.
4. Identify the source that you reference with parenthetical citations (authors' last names and page numbers where applicable).
5. Include a works cited page (use easybib.com).
6. Organize your ideas in a cohesive and coherent manner (4-5 paragraphs).
7. Maintain a formal style of writing.

Late Policy: -10 points per day, up to four days.
A digital copy of the draft and the final product will not count. You must bring a hard copy to class to receive full credit.