

Description of Assignments 343C Spring 2007 (Swaffar)

Sie haben vier Arten von mündlichen und schriftlichen Aufgaben im Semester: Lesenotizen, Debatten, Präsentationen, und Quizzes. Sie sind im Stundenplan angegeben und sind an dem angegebenen Tag fällig. Sie werden der Reihenfolge nach besprochen.

NOTIZEN

5 Notizen -- 4 points each

L or "Lesenotizen" (reading notes) consist of a short summary of the main events in the reading in an initial paragraph followed by a second paragraph that addresses the questions for class discussion. Length between 150 to 250 words, that is 1 DOUBLE-SPACED, typewritten or legibly written page.

Grading:

3 points for summary statement (*Dieser Text handelt von...+ Dativ! or Dieser Text bespricht..., behandelt + Akkusativ*) with 2-3 examples from the text

1 point for correct word order, spelling, prepositional usage.

All papers must be double-spaced and typewritten or legibly written by hand. They must be handed in on the desk by the time class starts. No email or late papers will be accepted.

DEBATTEN

7 Debates -- 3 points each

We will be engaging in seven debates as noted on the syllabus. You will have time in class to confer before the debate but should prepare beforehand. All debaters on the same side should confer in teams of two or more before class. Each individual debater must summarize his or her particular arguments in a 100-150 word DOUBLE SPACED typewritten or legibly handwritten document no longer than 1 paragraph. (*Meiner Meinung nach ist. . . Ich glaube das, weil etc.*) submitted BEFORE class. You may use notes but not a written text to refer to during the course of the debate. After the debate the class will ask questions or possibly challenge views that have been expressed.

Grading:

1 point for at least two coherent arguments or counterarguments that are NOT read aloud

2 points for a written paragraph (TYPED, DOUBLE-SPACED) that reflects the language of the source text and uses adversarial language (*Ganz im Gegenteil...Dennoch...Im Gegensatz dazu, möchte ich behaupten, dass..., Die Antwort auf dieses Argument ist eben, dass...*) Up to one minus point for more than 3 errors in word order, incorrect prepositions, cases, verb usage

PRÄSENTATIONEN

1 presentation -- 10 points

You will sign up for ONE report on the list handed out in class--some have a partner but while it is useful to confer with your partner, you should do your own, independent work for your segment. You will be timed to take no longer than 5 minutes for your presentation plus an additional 5 minutes for a Q & A session. You will have a timer for your presentation and for the Q & A session.

Please confer with the instructor by email or appointment about your approach to a topic **at least 3 days in advance of class** and send the instructor a copy of the PPT, HO, or other relevant materials **at least 24 hours before class** so she can correct any German infelicities and adjust her class preparation to your comments.

QUIZZES

10 quizzes -- 20 points

You have 11 short online quizzes -- the first is a trial run (*Probequiz*) that we will go over in class together. The remaining ten quizzes should be taken online on Blackboard. They will be available immediately after the class hour preceding the assignment on which they are based as noted with a **Q** on your syllabus. These quizzes will be available until the following class in Blackboard under "Assignments." They are timed generously (20 minutes) so that you can refer to textbook pages to refresh your memory. Quizzes consist of 5 multiple-choice questions each worth 20% of a 2 point total. We will discuss answers and / or problems with questions during the subsequent class period.