

Term Paper Topic Brainstorming

List three topics that you would find interesting to research and write an argumentative term paper about. The topics must involve computers and/or technology and not already have a clear solution. Your term paper must present a solution or course of action and argue for it.

You may wish to scan the chapters of our class textbooks for general topic areas. You will need to think about what stance you wish to take or argument you wish to make.

Your submission for this assignment should include:

- A list of three different possible term paper topics.
- For each topic, you should write one to two sentences listing why the topic is interesting to you.
- You should also write a one sentence "statement of opinion" that is your starting point for a suggested solution or course of action that you are arguing for. You can think of this as a resolution, or thesis statement.

For example:

- Topic: Copyright Law with respect to digital downloads
- Why Interesting: I like to use BitTorrent to download and watch feature movies before they are released to DVD. The fact that this is currently illegal annoys me.
- Statement of Opinion: Copyright law should be amended to allow anyone to download any media for personal use as long as they do not profit from said downloads.

Submit: A listing of your three potential topics covering the above requirements in PDF format to T-Square.

ALSO: Bring a print-out of your assignment to class. You will need this to swap with another student at your table, so don't forget it!

This assignment is worth 30 homework points, 10 for each potential topic.