

WRITING # 3 – LISTICLE ESSAY

"____ THINGS I'VE BEEN MEANING TO SAY TO _____" OR

"____ THINGS YOU CAN DO TO IMPROVE YOUR _____"

THE ASSIGNMENT

After having read Jason Reynolds' piece "Ten Things I've Been Meaning to Say to You" and Kelly Gallagher's "5 Things You Can Do to Improve Your Writing," choose one as your topic and fill in the blanks above to create your own. You can fill in the blanks however you'd like to make the piece serious or funny or even fictional or abstract/philosophical. Take it where suits you, while working to make the piece a full page long (please double space).

Consider that one of the primary characteristics of essay is to connect the specific to the universal – to get to the *why it matters*. This essay is specifically a genre called listicle. Notice the features it possesses and mimic them in your own version.

Tech Steps:

1. Use Google docs to start a new document. Do this through GClassroom by going through the classwork tab and this assignment – then, it will appear where it should.
2. Name it YourLastName Writing 3(not literally – replace that with YOUR last name).
3. Just use a regular font size (the default is good). Please set the spacing to double.
4. Write your one-page listicle essay. Be sure to shift paragraphs where ideas shift.