Assignment: Defining Your Genre

✓ Published   **✎ Edit**   ⋮

To begin, you may want to choose a broad film genre, like horror, as opposed to a more specific (and limiting) subgenre like *horror-comedy-zombie* movies. Once you've chosen your movie genre,

Part I: go to *Wikipedia* and read through the Page that discusses your chosen genre.

Part II: click the Library link and find 2 sources (minimum) in the Fletcher Library databases that discuss your genre. This can be a journal article, an eBook, a chapter from a textbook/anthology, a film documentary (Films on Demand), etc.

Part III: Write a 1,000 word (minimum) post defining your genre, giving examples for illustration, etc. In this post, you **must include** information (direct quotes optional) from the Wikipedia page & the 2 library sources.

Part IV: Write a brief, 250-word (maximum) post defining your genre. This **does not have to include** information from all sources. Essentially, this is a condensed version of **Part III**.

Part V: Write a brief evaluation (250-words) of the sources used. What differences, if any, did you find between Wikipedia and the Library sources? Are the sources reliable? Bias? Difficult to understand? Thorough? etc.

Part VI: Include a complete MLA-style 8th ed. citation for all sources used. For sources in the Fletcher Library, click the **Cite** button & select MLA, then just copy & paste that citation into your assignment.

Number all response parts of this assignment and post together in the Message box or in an attached file.

FINDING SOURCES in the LIBRARY

When you click on the Library button on the left, you'll be brought to the page:

Library Resources for ENGL-1020-1WA

Click: **A-Z Database List for English (https://lgapi-us.libapps.com/widget_az.php?site_id=6958&widget_type=11& output_format=3&widget_title=&widget_height=&widget_width=&widget_embed_type=1&enable_navigation=1& config_id=1566356646663&lti_id=11447&s=75467)**

Databases you may want to begin with

- Films on Demand

    Type in the search terms: **film genre**

Several options, including entire documentaries as well as short segments.

- Academic Search Complete

    Type in the search terms: **film genre** OR be more specific, like: **film genre rom com**

        *Narrow your search be selecting **Full Text**

- Literature Resource Center

    Type in the search terms: **film genre** OR specific terms, like your chosen genre

Wikipedia Sample Citation

"Plagiarism." *Wikipedia: The Free Encyclopedia.* Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 15 May 2018, en.wikipedia.org/w /index.php?title=Plagiarism&oldid=841301291. Accessed 16 May 2018.

Quoting

Your summary is a paraphrase of your 3 sources.

For this assignment, you only need a (parenthetical citation) if you're quoting directly.

> For example:

> According to Wikipedia, horror films "seek[...] to elicit fear for entertainment purposes" ("Horror film").

(Assignment License: Defining Your Genre by **Alyson Blythe** **(http://www.fletcher.edu/faculty-staff/?first_name=alyson+&um_search=1)** is licensed under a **CC BY 4.0** **(https://creativecommons.org/licenses /by/4.0/)** license).

Points	2
Submitting	a text entry box or a file upload

Due	For	Available from	Until
Aug 29	Everyone	-	-

+ **Rubric**