

HUM110HM—Assignment 2

Directions: After watching the "Water Park" episode of *Malcolm in the Middle*, write an essay that answers the following questions.

1. Integrity is an extremely interesting concept. When we use it to refer to a building or a bridge, we are referring to structural issues: the building or bridge's ability to withstand not only normal uses but also extreme circumstances: storms, earthquakes, and floods, for example. When we use this term to describe people, we can mean their ability to maintain their moral standards even in the face of temptation. What is your definition of integrity?
2. Using your definition of integrity, analyze the following parts of the episode:
 - a) Hal and Lois's decision to procure a babysitter--any babysitter--for Dewey so that they can have fun at the park.
 - b) Hal's decision to smuggle a pint of rum into the park.
 - c) Hal and Lois's decision to ignore their two sons and concentrate on each other.
 - d) The behavior of the attendant at the top (entry point) of the monster water ride.
 - e) The decision by Francis and Spangler to deliberately lose each game of pool that they play against each other.
 - f) The fact that after the elderly babysitter is taken away via ambulance, both the emergency medical technicians and the neighbors fail to realize that Dewey has been left home alone.

Guidelines: Use the following guidelines for this assignment

1. Use a minimum of 700 words
2. The essay must be typed, double-spaced, and follow MLA format
3. Proofread carefully
4. The material included in the Perspective and Interaction sections of each module is intended to provide you information and to give you issues to think about. These overviews are not intended to be used to help you complete your essay. In other words, please use the ideas from the overviews, but do not use their language. As well, do not use any outside research or information when completing this assignment. I am interested in what you have to say.

Submit your assignment to the appropriate course Dropbox **no later than Sunday, 11:59 PM EST/EDT**. (This Dropbox basket is linked to Turnitin.)

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Grading Rubric

Elements	Criteria	Not Evident (0)	Beginning (1 – 7)	Developing (8 – 9)	Competent (10)
Purpose	Clearly identifies the three-fold purpose of this essay.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
Perspective	Investigates other point(s) of view and the writer's own assumptions.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
Evidence	Supports purpose with relevant, sufficient evidence through investigative research.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
Analysis	Analyzes the consequences and implications of reasoning.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
Core Values	Addresses the core values of personal development, specifically, and demonstrates its relevance to this purpose.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
Decision Making	States the various options of decision making and chooses a solution.	0 points	1-7 points	8-9 points	10 points
		Not Evident (0)	Beginning (1 – 5)	Developing (6 – 14)	Competent (15)
Mechanics of Writing	Writer uses a correct essay format, with minimal grammar and spelling errors.	0 points	1-5 points	6-14 points	15 points