Tuesday, 3/15/16

English B1a

Turnitin.com

- New rules for turnitin submissions:
  - Assignments must be submitted by the start of class.
  - Late submissions will lose half credit.
- Peer Review
  - We will be conducting peer review using turnitin.
  - WA 2 will be the first essay using this feature.

Announcement

- In case you missed my email to the class . . .
  - You may sell your copy of *The Least You Should Know About English*
  - We won't be needing it this class.

Another Direction in Tech

- **SXSW Addresses Online Harassment of Women in Gaming**
- http://www.nytimes.com/2016/03/14/technology/sxsw-addresses-online-harassment-of-women-in-gaming.html?emc=edit_tu_20160314&nl=bits&nlid=41441118

Readings Discussion

Paul Goldberger and Christina Baker Kline

- What is Goldberger's point?
  - Cell phones disrupt the "all consuming effect" (para. 2) that public spaces and cities uses to have.
- What is Kline's point?
  - Kline presents transformations cell phones have made on the college experience from the time of the author's going to college and her son's experience.
- What do these authors have in common?
- What conclusions have you drawn?

Working Thesis & Introductions

- Using your conclusions, write a working thesis statement.
- Now, we can begin work on the introduction
- What is the general subject of your essay?
  - Cell phones.
- What specifically about cell phones becomes your narrowed subject?
  - People have become obsessed with their phones to the exclusion of all else.
- Your thesis
  - What conclusion have you drawn based on your readings?

Draft your introduction

Building the paragraphs

- Tomorrow we will work on finding examples and quotations to support your thesis.
  - Work on introducing the sources.
  - Work on presenting the context of the quote before the quote.
  - Discussion of the quote
  - Synthesis of ideas.

How smart are animals?
Why do birds have feathers?
What are shells?