

Per Audacia Ad Astra: Reflections on the Semester

As usual, the format is up to you, and you can choose to respond to as many as you like.

Personal

- 1) Say you chose to have your legacy remembered by those of us who will be here for the next three-and-a-half years – freshmen and teachers. What would you want us to remember about you if we hear your name in 2016?
- 2) Think back to your *Great Expectations* assignment from the beginning of the year. Which of **your** expectations for both yourself and the course have been met thus far? How have you improved as a student since you enrolled in this class? How have you changed? (How's that Star looking?) Has this class strengthened an area of weakness for you, or played to your strengths in a way that makes your experiences here meaningful? What would you say you've "gotten out of" the class?
- 3) Which philosophies and beliefs have you examined more closely recently? Why did you re-examine them? Which make you particularly proud? Which would you want to strengthen or explore in greater detail?

Course

- 1) Out of the themes we've studied, topics we've covered, pieces we've read, and questions we've grappled with, which elements of the class have you enjoyed most, and why?
- 2) If you had a hand in designing the curriculum, which concepts/lessons/activities would you want to make sure we included as we move forward? What would you want to learn about that the class hasn't addressed yet? Is there a lesson type you'd like to see introduced, continued, or repeated? Do you have ideas regarding specific subjects you think deserve a blog post, class discussion, etc.?
- 3) I'm always seeking ways to improve my classroom communities – extending the class into cyberspace, breaking you into Houses, etc. Any suggestions for further improvements?
- 4) Now that you've been in this class for a semester, how would you describe it – the material, the community, the experience – to someone who's never taken it before? What do you wish you'd known about it before you enrolled? Would you sign up again?

If there are questions related to these you'd like to answer – ones I haven't asked – feel free to write about them as well.