**Class 14: The Vicarious Process Essay and filling out ‘step maps’ +** walkthrough + Look at the anatomy of a vicarious essay that received a B…

**NO QUIZ (Good luck on next week’s GBS exam)  
Process Essay due 10/11 (Next Thursday!)  
10/23 will start to meet honor students for midsemester progress report…**

**Send HW6 via email or SIMPLY SHOW HW 6 in class at the end for credit (keep it – will need it for the essay writing!**

**REMEMBER: full description of what must be on the process essay is in the handout (and on newclassroom.com 🡪lessons:**[**Process Handout + Process rubric**](http://www.newclassroom.com/Processessay_decisions_handout_ENG101.docx)

WRITING the STEPS:

For each step/paragraph you should

a)have deep details of what to do

b)sense experience while you are doing the step   
c)Exceptions/special cases  
d) 0-3 potential problems for each STEP and how to detect + fix/react (‘If you open the can to find a solid glue’ you must….)

Writing a paragraph/a step (treat as a mini paper)

Take NOTES on each step BEFORE writing

A)\*Try to do the step in real life if you can or walk through it as best you can remember or imagine and take some notes detailing the major actions (the HOW)

B)Who? What? Where? When? Why?

What does the action do/what does it mean vs big picture? Why?

C)special cases: what if can’t do action? What if doesn’t apply?  
  
D)exceptions: what can go wrong? (with your action above)

**ONLY THEN….**

E)Write the list, notes, comments above into an actual paragraph. If it gets too big, split into two (or even three).  
  
Common splitting points of a huge step/paragraph into 2 or 3 para: (AB) + (CD) or AB + C + D

ACTIVITY: Building a step paragraph interactively for paper on “How to register for Spring classes for an undecided major”:

**Step 4: Using Ratemyprofessors.com for Selecting your professors**

And now…

IV. The vicarious ‘how to’ or story type ‘how to’ example: (give out)How to be a Clown… (volunteer readers…)

First: Why would someone choose the vicarious form if it’s usually longer and riskier?

-- Mapping out The Vicarious essay: tougher, but good for natural or fiction-inclined writers.

--Can write first, then ‘step map,’ then return and fill out what’s missing in the writing.  
(called reverse engineering)

--Audience appeal (interesting telling) can make up for some (only some!) lack of detail!

-Take turns reading the how to be a clown essay

What grade did it receive?  
Exposition…foreshadowing…commentary…

Any questions to the difference between traditional ‘how to’ process essay and vicarious process essay?

Before you leave, show me your HW6 if on paper, otherwise email…

REMEMBER: Process essay is considered one of the MOST TIME CONSUMING so….  
Next two classes…  
10/9 Tues: CONFERENCES  
10/11 Thurs: PROCESS ESSAY due but no new lesson – last chance Q and A on your process….