

Writing Assignment 3

For Writing Assignment 3, consider the four “Topics for Writing” assignments on p. 488 of Arlov’s *Wordsmith* and pick one:

- **Assignment 1: Handling Stress**

Write a paragraph discussing the ways that you handle stress and/or offering your readers advice on how to handle stress.

- **Assignment 2: Out of the Rat Race?**

Some people long for the simple life. They envision themselves and their families living on a small plot of land, growing their own vegetables, and living free of the rat race. Is the simple life a part of your dream, or do you prefer the rat race? Write a paragraph giving specific reasons for your preference.

- **Assignment 3: Technology Rationing**

The 20th century put within the reach of most Americans many labor-saving devices and other technologies that we now take for granted: telephones, computers, coffee makers, washing machines, televisions, CD players, and automobiles, to name a few. If you could keep only one of your modern conveniences, which would it be? Write a paragraph giving your reasons.

- **Assignment 4: A Day in the Life ...**

Does your typical day unfold in a leisurely manner, or are you on an endless treadmill of activity? Write a paragraph describing a typical day in your life.

As always, consider carefully your purpose and audience as you complete this assignment. Who will want to read your work? Why? How do you hope your audience will think differently about life after reading your work? Please select an audience beyond the standard “my professor and classmates,” and be sure your audience includes more than just a single person.

Purpose: To present a clear claim and [evidence](#) related to one of the “Topics for Writing” Assignments on pp. 488 in Arlov. Remember to always keep the “So what?” question in the forefront.

Audience: Your choice. Be sure to attach a brief audience description to your draft, using proper [APA formatting](#) for an Appendix.

Due date: Sunday, July 24. Final papers must be in proper APA format.
