**Writing Assignment #1 for FYS 178.014 Fall 2020**

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Describe in your research paper how the conditions of society influenced the invention of the {choose only ***one*** option of [1], [2], [3], or [4]}…

[1] car [horse & carriage],

[2] airplane [hot air balloon],

[3] telephone [telegraph], or

[4] light bulb [gas lamp].

the paper should contain the following basic factual information

* When was the invention made?
* Where was the invention made?
* Who (or whom) is credited with the invention?
* When did the invention become a part of everyday society?

an analysis containing answers to the following should appear somewhere in your paper

* Why wasn’t the invention made at an earlier time in history?
* How did the conditions of society make the time of the invention the “right time”?
* Why didn’t the invention process end with the horse & carriage, hot air balloon, telegraph, or the gas lamp [choose the one relevant to your particular invention]?

basic paper requirements

* Minimum of three references
* Minimum of **six** double-spaced and typed pages (including a “References” section located on the final [6th] page)
* Use the MLA format style to write your paper and cite sources in your paper.
* Look at the following web page to learn more of the MLA format… <https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_style_introduction.html>
* Assume that the audience you are addressing in your paper is a group of peers (first year college students)
* Your paper must follow a logical outline that addresses the required factual information and analysis answers in response to a clearly written purpose statement included in your introductory paragraph