Summary
You annotated or completed notetaking on several different periodicals from the electronic databases regarding the topics of love and discrimination. You also watched and took notes on the Oscar-nominated film, “Loving,” which examines the story of Richard and Mildred Loving, an interracial couple who took their fight to love one another to the Supreme Court in 1967.

Research Reflection
Believe it or not, there was once a time where two adults of different ethnicities were not allowed to marry. Most recently, our nation has fought for the right for same-sex marriage as well. Should the government be allowed to control who consenting adults marry? Why or why not? In what ways does this violate the civil rights we’ve examined in this class? I am simply offering rhetorical questions (something to think about) to help you create ideas for your research paper.

Research Assignment Directions
In an MLA typed double-spaced essay with at least 4 in-text citations in an essay which must be a minimum of 5 pages but no more than 7 pages, you must answer the following prompt including adding a Works Cited page at the end of your essay. (The Works Cited page does not count towards your page requirement):

1. How have laws impacted who we love as adults?
   
   - Keep in mind that love is broad because this is a research paper, which means you must choose your own focus. You may want to examine:
     - Interracial marriage
     - Same sex marriage
     - Same sex parents adopting children
     - Marriage laws in other countries
   
   - Use examples from your research to explore in logical order or order of importance your thesis, which must be supported using our readings, documentary viewings, and/or research of your own. Remember, at least 4 in-text citations (summary, paraphrase, and/or direct quotes) are required with a Works Cited page. A library workshop will be scheduled to help you learn the research process. You are only allowed to use the following types of sources for your research: online (excluding Wikipedia and personal blogs), periodicals (peer viewed or popular), feature films and documentaries, television and news reports, interviews, and/or books.
**How to Turn in Your Research Paper**

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Use a word processor such as Microsoft Word, Apple Pages, or Google Docs. I will not accept papers typed using email.

You may only choose Arial or Times New Roman as your font.

Your font size must be 12. Your margins must be 1” left, right, top, and bottom.

Your last name and page number must appear in the header adjusted to the right.

Your paper must be double-spaced.

You must identify your paper by typing your name, my name, English 100, and the due date as 6 December 2017. All of this information is adjusted to the left of the page.

A creative title of your choice must be centered on the page. Use title case.

The first line of every paragraph must be indented once. The rest of the paragraph is adjusted to the left (not centered).

A Works Cited page is required, which is where you must document every source used in your paper. This format will be taught in class.

Staple your entire final assignment in this order: final typed paragraph on top followed by the prewrite, outline, draft, and revision with edits. You do not need plastic covers or a presentation folder. You will sign the attendance sheet to turn in your packet on the due date.

**How I Grade Your Research Paper/Essay**

This essay assignment is worth a total of 100 points according to our class syllabus.

The points are divided into the following:

- Credible sources – up to 20 points
- Interesting introduction paragraph – up to 5 points
- Strong thesis statement – up to 10 points
- Clear body paragraph topic sentences – up to 20 points
- Strong support in body paragraphs – up to 20 points
- Interesting conclusion – up to 5 points
- Proper MLA format with proper Works Cited page – up to 20 points

These number of points will correspond to the following letter grades:

- **A** = 100 to 90 points
- **B** = 89 to 80 points
- **C** = 79 to 70 points
- **D** = 69 to 60 points
- **F** = 59 and lower points