Triad Exercise, Part 2: The Next Steps

What is a “triad”? A triad is a set of three analytical elements that are connected to one another in the context of our reading.

Purpose: To develop further the skill of composing a single coherent sentence that combines three key elements from the week’s reading; and to begin the process of providing evidence for the sentence.

Knowledge: By doing this assignment, you will acquire a firm comprehension of a given text or set of texts in this course.

Skills: In this assignment you will develop the skill of making connections between important pieces of information. As a result, you will have the possibility to think about the material you have read in a more systematic and organized fashion.

Tasks: Step 1) Consider the Triads of the Week™ and choose one on which you would like to focus.

Step 2) Compose a sentence that combines all three of the items in the triad and draws on the material that we have read.

Step 3) Review the sentence and consider whether it accurately reflects the texts that you read for the course.

Step 4) Provide two bullet points of essentially factual information that either directly supports the sentence you have composed or at least provides important context.

Criteria: The sentence will be good if a) it uses all three items from the triad; b) is accurate with respect to the reading for the course; c) reasonably clear and expressive; and d) is supported by two concrete pieces of evidence.