

# The Pen's Power to Affect the Future Writing Prompt

Using your Rhetoric for the Future book as support, argue a stance on a topic affecting the future. What do you want your audience to do or believe? Consider what approach you want to take: opponent set-up, pro-con evaluation, evaluation of someone else's argument to make it your own or to argue against it, or a Rogerian argument (see your notes!).

Write a concise argument explaining the importance and relevance of the subject and the actions/thoughts you want the audience or others to take. You must use allusion, analogy, and antithesis in this paper.

Read the rubric so you understand the expectations for this major paper. Heed the requirements for specific and illustrative persuasion.

## Prewriting

(Required — If you do not do the prewriting, you will earn a zero for the entire paper grade).

### Prewriting 1 — Scanning

1. Scan your annotations to determine which approach you want to take. List the approach here:  

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2. Explain here how you will use this approach to argue your topic:

**Prewriting 2 — Funnel** See the Prewriting sheet in Writing Resources for directions.

