

<p>Informational Text: "What is Cultural Identity?" By Elise Trumbull and Maria Pacheco</p> <p>P 9</p>	<p>Poem: "Legal Alien" by Pat Mora p 43</p>
<p>Letter: "An Indian Father's Plea" by Robert Lake 94</p> <p>p</p>	<p>Biography: <i>Frida, A Biography of Frida Khalo</i> by Hayden Herrera or Frida's paintings</p> <p>p 33</p>
<p>Movie: Lion</p>	<p>Short Story: "Everyday Use" by Alice Walker p 72</p>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

**Summative Assessment ~ Expository Essay DUE**  
**Sunday (online form), October 13<sup>th</sup> (11:59pm)**  
*Thesis is due Monday for approval*  
*Rough draft/GO layout is due Tuesday for approval*  
*Must be typed via MLA format and submitted to the 365 form.*

Your assignment is to respond to the following synthesis prompt:

**Write a reflective essay that explains your cultural identity and compares/contrasts your culture with TWO of the perspectives we read or saw during this unit.**

Be sure to support your claim with evidence from **at least 2 different texts** you have read, viewed, or listened to in this unit, and with your own cultural experience and insights.  
Use formal academic voice.

**CULTURE ESSAY**

Introduction:

Hook – quote, fact, anecdote, statistic, description, NOT A QUESTION

General Information: (Suggestions: Define Culture, Cultural Identity (and/or/vs Ethnic Identity/heritage) - overall Cultural unit Learning objectives here....)

**Thesis:** My cultural identity is \_\_\_\_\_ and can be compared to the culture of \_\_\_(individual from text 1)\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_(individual from text 2)\_\_\_\_\_.

Body Paragraph 1:

Topic sentence 1 – What is your cultural identity?

Evidence – examples from your life

Explain the evidence – how did those examples influence you?

Body Paragraph 2:

Topic sentence 2 – How do you compare/contrast with someone from your first text?

Textual Evidence – examples from the text that you identify with

Explain the evidence

Body Paragraph 3:

Topic sentence 3 – How do you compare/contrast with someone from your second text?

Textual Evidence – examples from the text that you identify with

Explain the evidence

Conclusion:

Restate thesis/summarize your essay