Have No Fear! The IB Extended Essay, Is Here!
Why is the EE an important element of your IB Diploma?

**An E in ToK or EE Results in NO DIPLOMA**

- You are giving away scholarship money!
- You are giving away college credits!

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**NO EE = NO DIPLOMA**
Extended Essay

- Research Skills
- Independence
- Critical Thinking
- Writing Skills
- Organizational Skills
- Referencing
- Creativity
- Inquiry
What is the Extended Essay (EE)

- Your EE is an academic piece of writing on a topic of your choosing.
  - This is a 4000 (max) word piece
  - You may only complete an EE in a subject area that you have **completed** an IB course in.
    - This ensures that you have the relevant methodologies,
    - This maintains an approach to research and writing supported by IB,
    - This ensures that you have access to content that is relevant to the IB curriculum.
  - You must secure a mentor, a teacher at DeLand High School, that currently teaches or has taught that subject.
  - IB recommends that you spend approximately **40 hours on your EE**. (March to November)
# Mentor List

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Please NOTE: Science EEs frequently require an experiment.

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**How do you secure a mentor?**
How is the EE assessed?

- The Extended Essay has a possible **34 Marks**
  - Criterion A: Focus and Method 6 marks
  - Criterion B: Knowledge and Understanding 6 marks
  - Criterion C: Critical Thinking 12 marks
  - Criterion D: Presentation 4 marks
  - Criterion E: Engagement 6 marks

- Unlike IA’s, Criterion A-D are applied to your **Entire Essay**.

- Criterion E: Engagement is made up of three reflections written by you during the EE process; 500 words total
EE Timeline

○ From Today:
  ○ Select your topic, formulate a “working question”

○ Find and Meet with your Mentor: 8/28/2020
  ○ First reflection is to be written in Manage Bac.

○ Second Meeting with your Mentor: 9/18/2020

○ EE Week: 11/16-11/20
  ○ Attendance to EVERY class period is REQUIRED

○ EE FULL DRAFT is DUE: 11/20/2020

○ Third Meeting with Mentor: 12/11/2020
  ○ Second reflection is to be written in Manage Bac.

○ FINAL EE DUE: 1/8/2021

○ Final Meeting with your Mentor/Viva Voce: 1/29/2021
  ○ Final Reflection is to be written in Manage Bac.

These are REAL Due Dates, to meet IB Requirements.

GET THEM DOWN NOW!!
You will write 3 reflections that should be **total 500 words**

During these reflections you will reflect on your EE experience.

Discuss your experience with these areas. This needs to be Reflective; don’t just tell your reader about your actions.
Questions? Concerns?
The Art of Reflection

Good Reflections:
- Meaningful
- Individual
- Ongoing and episodic
- Formative
- Corrective
- Uncomfortable
- Productive
- Social
- Challenging

Vs

Poor Reflections:
- Descriptive only
- Complaining
- Criticizing only
- Boring
- Linear or Static
- Politically correct
- Tick Box
- Hour counting
- A single task
One of the challenges I’m currently having with my EE is finding a variety of sources. Many of my current sources are all indicating ______________. This is a challenge because I’m struggling to find different perspectives. I think I’m going to try and find a historian to interview. I think that by interviewing the historian, I may get alternative perspectives that will allow me develop a stronger evaluation. Specifically I need the historian to discuss the issue of ______________ because I haven’t found anything on this issue yet.

I went to the library and found three books on the topic. After reading one of these books, I took notes and thought about how the information fits into my argument. I had to go back to the library to find additional sources but didn’t have access to one of the sources I thought might have the strongest correlation to my topic. I think I might find a historian to interview.
Reflection 1 Guiding Questions

This reflection is a time to address some of the choices you made at the START of your EE. Consider the following questions:

1. Why did you select your topic?
2. What challenges did you face in creating your EE question?
3. How are you going to start to organize and research your EE questions?
4. What are your research plans? (kinds of sources, methods etc.)

About 50-100 words
Reflection 2 Guiding Questions

This reflection is a time to address some of the choices and changes you have made since the start of your EE. Consider the following questions:

1. Has your topic and/or question changed since your first meeting? Why?
2. What research challenges have you had? Why?
   - Challenges within the kind of research?
   - Challenges with finding research (not getting to the library isn’t a challenge)?
3. Have you made any changes to your EE organization? Why? Or Why not?
4. What current challenges are you having in developing your EE? (Time isn’t an issue to discuss)

About 100-200 words
Reflection 3 Viva Voce

Once you have submitted your EE you will hold an informal interview with your mentor called the Viva Voce. You will get more detailed information about this last reflection before you are required to conduct your Viva Voce.

About 100-200 words