

## Movie Analysis “Thank you for smoking”

In class we watched the movie, Thank you for smoking. You were asked to keep track of arguments/claims made in the movie along with some context as to when and where the claims appeared. Your assignment is to write an argumentative essay using those claims. The movie was a satirical look at how we advocate for our position even justifying something like smoking. This was not a movie promoting smoking – it was SATIRE. Do not write me an essay about the dangers of smoking that is **NOT** the assignment.

The paper must contain the following:

- ✓ A cover page
- ✓ A minimum of three claims made in the movie. Describe the context (what was happening in the scene), list the grounds (reasons for their claim) and the actual claim.
- ✓ Your position – do you affirm or negate this claim? (State the grounds for your position, from YOUR life.) Make sure you give some specific reasons (minimum two needed) from your real world to support your position. (Do not take the claim LITERALLY – apply the intent to the real world.)

Repeat the above for each claim – again a minimum of three claims must be used from the movie. (NOTE: if your paper is still not 3 pages add another claim)

Format

- ✓ Introduction (attention getter, thesis, preview)
- ✓ Body (your three main points: the three claims)
- ✓ Conclusion (recap your three points, attention getter).
  
- ✓ Timing - Essay is due at the beginning of class. Papers will not be accepted if you come into class late.
- ✓ Papers must be 4 pages long – cover page, and three full pages of text, typed, double spaced with an acceptable font no larger than 12 pt.
- ✓ Terminology – from argumentation class (textbook and notes)

Points will be deducted for papers that do not meet the above standards.