

WRITING ASSIGNMENT #2 - *Fahrenheit 451*

PROMPT

In Ray Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451* we have read about one possible scenario for the future. No one really knows how things will be in the future, but at one time or another we all think about it. What is your vision of the future? What do you think our world will be like 50 years from now?

Your assignment is to describe our world as you believe it will be 50 years from now.

PREWRITING

Choose five major topics for your composition—five areas of our lives you will describe. In other words, some areas to consider might be government, ecology, business, lifestyle, transportation, jobs/workplaces, economy, food, shelter, clothing, music, architecture, agriculture, entertainment, etc. Choose five of these or think up some of your own.

Make five columns on a piece of scratch paper and title each with one of your five topics. Under each topic, in the appropriate columns, jot down notes about how you think each will be in 50 years.

DRAFTING

Write a paragraph in which you introduce the idea that you believe life will be different in 50 years, especially in the areas you have chosen to write about (your five topics).

In the body of your composition, write one paragraph for each of your topics. Use a topic sentence to state exactly how you believe that topic will be different in 50 years, and then fill in your paragraph with specific examples you have notes about in your prewriting scratch paper column. Do that for each of your five topics.

Write a paragraph in which you summarize your ideas and conclude your composition.

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When you finish the rough draft of your paper, ask a student who sits near you to read it. After reading your rough draft, he/she should tell you what he/she liked best about your work, which parts were difficult to understand, and ways in which your work could be improved. Reread your paper considering your critic's comments, and make the corrections you think are necessary.

PROOFREADING

Do a final proofreading of your paper double-checking your grammar, spelling, organization, and the clarity of your ideas.