

Required Resources

Read/review the following resources for this activity:

- Textbook: Chapter 8; pp. 48-55
- Lesson 1
- Minimum of 1 source: the essay by Brooks in the textbook **and/or** the following library article cited in the lesson:
 - Link (library article): [Patients' Experience of Decision-Making and Receiving Information During Radiation Therapy: A Qualitative Study \(Links to an external site.\)](#)[Links to an external site.](#) (Click on **Full Text Finder** to access the article.)

Optional Resources

Review the following writing resources:

- Link (multimedia presentation): [Citing References in Text \(Links to an external site.\)](#)[Links to an external site.](#)

Initial Post Instructions

Read the following in your textbook: “Love, Internet Style” by David Brooks (p. 179). In complete sentences and with depth and detail, answer the following:

- Which specific two items does Brooks compare and contrast?

Dating by means of courtship vs. Online Dating, are the two topics Brooks addressed in his essay “Love, Internet Style”. “For generations, Americans had certain courtship rituals. The boy would call the girl and ask her to the movies. He might come in and meet her father” (Russell, 2016). In his article, he explained the difference between the old and new style of dating, he mentioned how people meet back then and the comparison of meeting someone by means of the internet.

Next, begin work on your own essay by choosing a topic. Your topic must be very narrow, must compare very similar items, and must have a purpose. Complete the following:

- Briefly list 3 possible topics for comparison and contrast. Examples might include two different high schools you attended, your two best friends, your two dogs, a movie and its remake. There are many, many options; these are simply a few examples illustrating level of specificity and level of similarity between the items (comparing apples to apples).

1. Michael Jordan and LeBron James
2. Marvel and D.C.
3. Tom Brady and Joe Montana