ENG 101: Peer Review

Instructions:

• Please have your partner give you a **clean**, **unmarked** copy of their paper and complete all of the tasks below.

Peer review questions & activities

- 1. Read the paper all the way through without making marks.
- 2. On the back of the paper, briefly summarize (in two or three sentences) your understanding of how the paper is responding to the assignment prompt.
- 3. Find the paper's thesis statement, underline the <u>claim</u> and highlight the <u>rationale</u>? If it is missing either of these elements make a note in the margins.
- 4. At the beginning of each paragraph describe the topic of that paragraph in the left margin. At the end of each paragraph describe how that paragraph's topic advances the central point of the paper in the right margin.
- 5. Find one place in the paper where the writer is effective at making his or her argument and briefly (in one sentence) describe why you think this is effective below on the back of the paper.
- 6. Find one aspect of the paper that you **feel needs work and describe how** you think this place can be improved on the back of the paper.
- 7. Write a paragraph-length comment on the back of the paper to the writer that conveys your overall thoughts on the paper. Is the solution to the problem offered by the paper effective or not? Why or why not? How do you feel it contributes to its subject? Where and how do you think it is successful and why do you find these elements effective? What is the primary aspect of the paper that needs improvement? What suggestions would you make?