

**Critical Thinking Research Project:  
Real-World Problem-Solving  
Philosophy Program and LaGuardia Archives**

<b>Step I: Topic</b>		
<b>Criterion</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
Is there a clear description of the topic selected and an explanation for why the student found this topic interesting?		<b>20</b>
Does the topic clearly relate to a problem faced by people in NYC?		<b>10</b>
Does the student clearly explain how the topic relates to the theme of democracy?		<b>10</b>
Correct formatting: typed, 12-point font, 250-350 words, using proper grammar & spelling		<b>5</b>
Was the topic turned in on time via the Blackboard discussion group by noon on March 22 <sup>nd</sup> ?		<b>5</b>
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>		<b>50</b>