**Research Paper Plagiarism Contract**

**PLAGIARISM: Presenting someone else’s work or ideas as your own.**

**STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

I understand that one or more of the following violations of standard research paper procedure can result in a reduction of my term paper grade, an “F” for the paper, and/or referral to the office for possible disciplinary action. I further understand the failure to turn in a typed term paper will result in an “I” for the course which will turn into an “F” upon completion of a paper.

1. **DISHONESTY**
2. Turning in a paper written in part or whole by someone else.
3. Failure to use quotation marks to set off material copied word-for-word from a book, magazine, or other source.
4. Failure to paraphrase source material thoroughly.
5. Failure to document direct quotations and paraphrased material which would not be knowledge to a person familiar with the subject area.
6. Faking parenthetical documentation or Works Cited to make it look as if you drew material from more sources than you actually did.
7. Faking notes by taking them from the paper after it has been written.
8. **OTHER PROBLEMS**
9. Failure to have subject approved by the instructor in advance.
10. Turning in notes that do not contain Works Cited information, heading, or page numbers.
11. Failure to turn in the research notes, an acceptable outline, and copies of the articles when needed.
12. Failure to turn in the typed paper on the specified due date.

I certify that the attached paper is wholly the result of my own research and writing and that I have followed the research paper format and procedures specified above.

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