**Anthem**

**Argument/Persuasive Essay**

You will select one of the three questions below to write an argument paper as your summative assessment for Anthem. You are free to include other sources, such as “The Lottery” or *Gathering Blue* in your final paper. **MAJOR GRADE**. (Two test grades.)

We will be writing the paper in class during the week of November 11th – 21st. You will write one paragraph a day and turn it in at the end of the hour. **Time New Roman ONLY and in 12 point font.** We should finish by Thanksgiving break! ☺

**Schedule: TBD**

**Questions**

1. Which is more important, the individual or the group?
2. Should the government have the right to control the individual?
3. Is creativity a vital part of human existence?

**Sample Outline**

1. Introduction—hook, background information, claim/thesis
2. Body Paragraph 1
3. Body Paragraph 2
4. Body Paragraph 3
5. Counterargument (opposition)
6. Conclusion—restate claim/thesis, give the call to action

**Pointers**

* Remember, with an argument or persuasive paper, you must pick a side and stick to it. You are writing to persuade the reader to accept your point of view.
* Save your best point and example for your third body paragraph. They should be ranked in order of importance (with your **third** body paragraph being your strongest point).
* Use your best spelling and grammar. Even though we are hand-writing this paper, I still expect it to be final draft quality (no mechanical errors).