Essay: Autoethnography

Prompt: Use the activities we’ve done in class and outside of class to help you write an autoethnography. Ultimately, what you write depends on the primary research you’ve conducted. The goal is to think outside the box and be creative.

Genre: An autoethnography is a method of writing that combines narrative techniques with research and ethnographic writing. It’s an interdisciplinary genre that aims to be self-reflective while exploring communities and the connections between the everyday, culture, and society as a whole.

What research?: Your essay must include demographic details of the space you’re exploring. You can find census data using search engines or organizations.

Questions to Think About:

- What patterns or connections did I make while completing the “Get Lost” and “Objects” assignment?
- What about my shared experiences or spaces did I find surprising or interesting?
- What memories were triggered on this self-reflective journey?

Method:

Use How to Be an Explorer of the World to help you explore the spaces around you using different perspectives. You may also reference the class readings. However, you’re not required to do so.

Word Count: 3-4 pages, MLA format, Times New Roman size 12