

Introduction to Ethics

Extra credit assignment

Choose one of the essays in Section III, *Contemporary Moral Problems*, of the Cahn-Markie book. Read this essay. Then post to your blog a 600-800 word entry that answers the following questions:

- (1) Which essay did you read?
- (2) What is the moral problem the author is addressing?
- (3) What is the author's thesis? What are her arguments for that thesis and against alternative positions on the moral problem in question?
- (4) What is one way in which the author's argument for her position is persuasive?
- (5) What is one way in which the author's argument for her position is not persuasive? Why?

Post this entry to your blog by **classtime** on **Tuesday, December 2, 2008**.

Your entry will be graded on a scale of 0-5. These points will be weighted in the same way as the points for your blog grades. Thus a 5 on this extra credit essay will be functionally equivalent to increasing one of your blog grades by 5 points.