

College Talk Warm Ups - NPR Podcasts

Extra Credit Forms

Name:

Title of Podcast: 1 - College Applicants Sweat the SAT's - Perhaps they Shouldn't

National Public Radio has done some solid investigative journalism with post high school education, college choices and funding, and the challenges posed. The shows run in length from 4:00 to 7:00. This form will provide extra credit guidelines for listening to and commenting on the individual shows. Links to each story are posted on the Buddha blog - as is each story's extra credit form. My suggestion is that you listen to the podcast two times - once for taking notes and once without - you'll do a better job on the assignment and gain more from the experience. Also, for the ones that you find particularly informative - sit down with Mom and Dad, listen together and talk about the topic...it is essential that your parents are also educated on the challenges of college funding.

Three things to note: One, while it is possible to skim through NPR podcasts via the summary blogs posted on the website, the beauty of the presentations come from listening. Take the time to listen; these are professional productions. Two - Extra credit dates will coincide with Econ class. They will be posted regularly along with the podcast links. While SCI and Government students may do the extra credit as well, they must adhere to Economics due dates. So check the blog regularly or work ahead. Three - extra credit will consist of a 3% bump on any Marking Period grade for form completion. After MP final % grades have been totaled - you may take a portion or all of the accumulated percentages and bump up your final grade. However, I will give 3% only for completed *College Talk Warm Up Evals*. If you do not reflect on your answers with some depth, don't expect any extra credit.

All assignments must be turned into Mr. Wood on hard copy at the beginning of class hour on due date for full credit.

1 - Podcast Summary

In your own words what was this podcast all about?

2 - Upping My Score / Mara Meijer

What does it mean "Upping my Score?" What is Mara Meijer's story in regard to the SAT?

3 - Defining Promise

What is the study *Defining Promise*? How many students and colleges involved? What was the final result?

4 - SAT / ACT History

Where did the SAT originally come from? What was its original purpose? What is it today?

5 - High School Grades

What does the study say about High School grades? Any thoughts?

6 - Relationship to YOU?

What was your ACT score? How do you feel about your score? Does this podcast make you feel any different about that score? Explain.

7 - "Take Away" in a Word -

In a word what if anything valuable did you "takeaway" from this podcast? Tell me the word and follow it up with an explanation.

8 - Evaluation of the Podcast (circle one)

1 - Was this podcast informative? YES Maybe yes Maybe no NO

2 - Was this podcast interesting? YES Maybe yes Maybe no NO

3 - Would you recommend it to others: YES Maybe yes Maybe no NO

Why or why not on recommendation: _____

Any Final Thoughts?

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