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### Summary & Response Essay Reflection

In the first essay of the semester, I wrote about what Freud says in “Lecture One” about the attitude of most doctors toward hysterical patients and Dr. Breuer’s attitude toward hysterical patients and connected it to “The Yellow Wallpaper,” by Charlotte Perkins Gilman.

The genre of my essay I would say is argumentative and analytical. I say this because throughout the essay I’m supporting my reasoning on Freud’s criticism of doctors. I would analyze specific quotes and make them so they support my claim. For example, if I said Freud’s criticism of some doctors was that they were ignorant and showed no sympathy toward their patients I would find evidence that supported that claim and connect it to Gilman’s short story.

I wrote about this subject to include my own thoughts on Freud’s description of ignorant doctors compared to the doctor who actually tried to help his patients. When writing it I made it clear, understandable, and focused on important parts in the lecture and in “The Yellow Wallpaper.” I was specific and straight to the point with what I had to say regarding evidence and connecting back to my thesis.

While writing this essay I hoped to accomplish things such as a better understanding of the texts and improving the quality of my writing. This essay felt like a big deal because it's my first college essay and it's different than high school it's not going to be an automatic 100 for

completion. I really tried my hardest to have a good understanding of the readings to give a good analysis and tried incorporating writing styles that we've seen in class in my own writing though I still need practice with that part.

The potential audience of this essay is my peers and professors and maybe people who are interested in Freud. The relationship between me the writer, and my audience and this essay is that we are engaging and synthesizing specific parts of Freud's lecture and its connection to "The Yellow Wallpaper". The knowledge we might have on this subject may be minimal or sufficient to understand the concepts talked about in the essay. Our goals may not specifically align because we have different things we wish to accomplish when reading texts. Throughout my essay, I hoped to have conveyed my thoughts and analysis clearly for my audience to understand the subject and purpose of my essay.