## PAPER 1: DEFINING GOTHIC LITERATURE

### **DUE DATE:**

Tuesday, September 7 (OAKS dropbox by beginning of class)

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Your job in this paper is to research the genre of Gothic literature. The paper includes 2 short sections.

**Part 1: Definition of the Gothic.** You should collect 5 general definitions of Gothic literature from various critics. These definitions should be shortish, probably no more than 2-3 sentences each. In your paper, you will list these definitions by first citing the source using MLA style, then including the quoted definition underneath. The list should be alphabetized by authors' last name. Your entries should look something like this:

# Mulvey-Roberts, Marie. "Introduction," *Handbook to Gothic Literature*, New York UP, 1988, pages xv-xviii.

This is where Mulvey-Roberts' definition would go. Include simply the quote about the Gothic, no need for your own prose.

## Smith, Andrew. Gothic Literature, 2nd edition, Edinburgh UP, 2017.

This is where Smith's definition would go.

While you may use websites and popular sources, you need to be sure these sources are reliable. At least 3 of your definitions should be from scholarly sources.

Part 2: The Female Gothic. This section should include at least 2 sources that define the Female Gothic specifically. These 2 sources must be different from the sources you cited in Part 1. Feel free to use the sources I've posted on the class website and/or sources you've found on your own. Include MLA information for the sources and a brief definition, just as in Part I.