

**SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT
TALK & REACTION PAPER
BIO 3A**

Choose one of the talks I have indicated for this assignment. Watch the program at the times I have given you or check for it online at the PBS website (www.pbs.org) to see if it is available online

Your report will consist of your copy of your **original** notes taken as you watch the talk program (Do not rewrite them) and a typed or computer written statement, double spaced, from you in paragraph form and in **correct English form** which expresses your reactions and opinions (good or bad) about this topic. Staple your notes to the back of the reaction paper and hand in. The paper is to be typed in a plain, 12 point font and double spaced. Please do not use boldface. The paper should be between 1 and 2 pages.

Papers are due on or before Your next Mon or Tues lab day following the talk.

A Reaction Paper is not a summary. It is your reaction to the video which you have watched. Your paper may include things like what parts of the video were especially interesting to you and why. It may include your feelings about the content of the video: Did it make you sad, happy, angry, hopeful, pessimistic or some other feeling? You may relate it to some event or situation in your own life or to your future career. This is not a movie review.

Points: The maximum number of points for this activity is 25 possible points, however this does not mean that you are guaranteed to receive this many points. Incomplete or poorly done work will not receive full credit just as in any assignment.

This is an Independent activity. That means no collaborative efforts on the reports and other materials to be handed in. Discussion about the topics is fine, but the written work must be your own. If you have difficulty writing, you may take your paper to the writing center for help.