Example ChatGPT Writing Assignments (Marvel class)

Assignment 3: Individual Project

- Description: You will create a narrated PowerPoint presentation that analyzes *The Avengers* (2012 movie) from a race, feminist, sex, or gender approach (choose just one, though overlap is fine too). The final product should be 5-10 minutes long when played, and should strive to make as many non-intuitive discoveries and observations as possible.
- ChatGPT can be optionally used for this assignment to generate initial ideas, but not the final output. No ChatGPT products need to be turned in for this assignment.

Assignment 4: Age of Ultron (Essay #1)

- Description: Analyze the *Avengers: Age of Ultron* movie through ONE interpretive approach chosen from this list: post-colonialism, teamwork, superhero burden, or feminist/gender. This paper should include an original, ambitious thesis and will be 5-6 pages long, with no sources or bibliography required.
- This essay has ChatGPT requirements:
  - Ask ChatGPT to create an original, ambitious thesis (and opening paragraph of a hypothetical essay) that analyzes this movie. Engineer your prompt to optimize the AI output.
  - Write a 200-500 word analysis of the AI output. What makes this thesis good? How might it be wrong, or limited? How might you make it more ambitious, or a more fruitful analysis?
  - Write your essay as the next step. You can incorporate the AI output into your ideas, but do not RESTRICT yourself to just the AI suggestions. You can also disregard the AI output entirely and write a completely different essay.
  - Paste both your original ChatGPT prompt and the AI output at the conclusion of your essay (which might make the essay now 6-7 pages long including this).

Assignment 5: Group Project

- Description: The group grade is shared communally, regardless of individual performances. The group will create a 3-6 page analysis of *Captain America: Civil War*. However, the analysis must focus on ONE of these two options: superhero burden or utilitarianism. Also, the final product will be a detailed outline, NOT a written essay. However, all the elements except the final sentences would be there as if it were an essay: an ambitious, original thesis, paragraph topic sentences (or summaries) that "add up" to the thesis; individual bullets within each paragraph that provide evidence and connective logic.
- This assignment has a ChatGPT requirement

- - - Ask ChatGPT to generate a short version of this entire assignment (simple outline, not detailed) for BOTH options - one output for superhero burden, and one for utilitarianism. Remember to "engineer" your prompt to get useful results. For instance, the software won't know what "superhero burden" means unless you explain that.
    - Feel free to use (or ignore) the AI output when creating your own final product. If using, remember to embellish and improve - do not simply turn in the AI's work.
    - Paste both outputs from the AI (one from each prompt) below your final product
  - Your final product will be graded on these criteria: presence of both AI outputs, degree of improvement in final product over AI output, ambitious thesis, paragraph topic sentences "add up" to the thesis, connective logic, and grammar/syntax.

Assignment 6: Infinity War (Essay #2)

- Description: Analyze *Avengers: Infinity War* using TWO interpretive approaches that are blended into one cohesive argument. One of the interpretive approaches must be Utilitarianism, and the other can be any approach of your choice. Be sure that the thesis, as well as the essay body, reflects an integrated argument, rather than two sequential ones. This paper is expected to be 5-6 pages long, but can be longer without penalty.
- This assignment has a ChatGPT component
  - Ask ChatGPT to generate an outline of a short essay using one of your chosen interpretative approaches (the one that is NOT Utilitarianism)
  - Feel free to use this output to help guide your thoughts in creating your final output: a blend of both Utilitarianism and one other approach. Or, you may ignore the AI output.
  - Paste the AI output below your finished essay (which will make it longer still)
  - If you choose to use ChatGPT to generate ideas about Utilitarianism as well, or ways to mix the two approaches in an essay, this AI output does not need to be included in your final draft. However, remember not to use AI output "wholesale," which would be an act of plagiarism. Remember that any source cited by ChatGPT is likely hallucinated.