The purpose of this assignment is to further your understanding of the Josef Conrad’s Heart of Darkness.

Instructions

Research the following topics:

a. Colonialism -- What does this mean in general, and what does it mean for HoD specifically? (Ivory trading in the 19th century.)

b. Conrad’s personal history

c. The three levels of darkness that the protagonist, Marlow, encounters—the darkness of the Congo wilderness, the darkness of the European’s cruel treatment of the natives, and the unfathomable darkness within every human being for committing heinous acts of evil.

1. Prepare a five (5) entry summative annotated bibliography (MLA) based on your research.

2. Write a 2-page essay (MLA stylesheet) in which you analyze the connections between colonialism, Conrad, and darkness.
   * Use specific textual references to support your analysis.
   * Do NOT summarize the plot.

3. Due Dates:
   - Friday, 3/1/13 -- Annotated Bibliography
   - Tuesday, 3/5/13 -- 2-page essay