Cancer is a topic that has touched the lives of nearly all Americans in one way or another. When you considered you choices of FYS, what drew you to this seminar? What personal experiences have you had that would lead you to an interest in this course? What did you think this course would be about? What did you hope to gain from taking this course? What do you know already about cancer survivors? What do you think the experience of a cancer survivor would be like?

Cite specific examples in your life to explain your view/conclusions. Reading with specific details is more interesting to read and more scientific.

You do not need to address the prompts above in the same order as presented. Certainly use a fluid narrative to respond (NOT a Q & A style of writing). If you have questions, ask.

Your response should be approximately 2 pages (double-spaced). You may print double sided or on recycled paper. Be sure to include your name on the assignment and to use a pocket binder with your name on it to turn in the assignment.

NOTES: I gave this writing assignment at “Day 0”, i.e. first class meeting during orientation week. Students turned it in on Monday, Week 1. This allowed me to evaluate a brief structured reflection writing and give more specific comments on how to approach structured reflection. Students then made revisions to this prompt and turned it in along with “Part Two” of the “official” first Structured Reflection assignment. No grade was assigned to this writing.