

Homework #1

Please address the following question in a 1-2 page response on a separate piece of paper.
I will not accept handwritten assignments—please type or use a wordprocessor.

In the Western world, body piercing is a fad. In other countries, it marks status and may be performed as a ritualistic ceremony. Some research suggests that numerous body piercings may be a form of self-mutilation. Is body piercing a form of self-expression? Can we use our bodies as a canvas to express our selves or is it an indicator to or mental illness?