Overview: The purpose of the egg-baby project is to provide a hands-on experience in child development and parenting. Your final reflection essay is an opportunity to explore your “take away” from this experience. The reflection is worth 30 pts and must be typed. The length should be between 1 and 2 pages ONLY. Your response must include an Intro, two body paragraphs, and a conclusion. Use the guiding questions below to assist your organization.

** You will need to use clear and descriptive language and specific examples. In the interest of clarity, be sure to edit your work for spelling, grammar, and syntax **

GUIDING QUESTIONS / PROMPTS:
(pay close attention to the directions for each section)

I. Introduction: (Respond to both prompts.) - 5 pts
   
   > Describe your experiences as a “parent” for an entire week. How did you manage?
   > Did the project live up to expectations? How was it similar/different from what you expected? Please provide specific feedback on this week-long project.

II. Child Development: (Choose 2 of the 3 prompts below.) - 10 pts
   
   > What did you learn about motor, emotional, social and/or cognitive development?
   > Do you agree more with the fluid/gradual or periodical/stages approach? Why?
   > Knowing what you do about the Nature vs. Nurture debate, what concerned you about your child’s experiences in his/her environment? Would you do anything differently?

III. Parenting: (Choose 2 of the 4 prompts below.) - 10 pts
   
   > How did “parenthood” affect your week? What conflicts did you face as a “parent”?
   > Which of the parenting decisions (see Issues) was the most difficult for you? Why?
   > Did you use your own parents as helpers/guides? Describe this experience.
   > What type of parenting style (see p 120) do you anticipate using? Why?

IV. Conclusion: (You must respond to this prompt.) - 5 pts
   
   > Give your parenting a letter grade according to the criteria of the overall project, and explain in detail why you would assess yourself this way. *Be sure to indicate specifically how many hours (and dollars) you dedicated to child care this week.*