

**Reading 96~97 ~ C. Martin**  
**The Sea Runners**  
**Critical Thinking & Analysis Essay Guidelines**

There are three analysis essays for this novel, one to follow each section of the book. See course calendar for specific due dates of each one.

1. **Narrative essay with text analysis (2 pages).** Choose a character's struggle within the text that rings familiar with your own experiences. Explore the parallels between the character's struggle and your life. Create a narrative that communicates this exploration.
  
2. **Process analysis with text analysis (2 pages).** The underlying structure of this text lies in analyzing the process of leaving Scandinavia, escaping Alaska, and canoeing to Oregon. Think about a journey you've taken in your life—literally or metaphorically. What steps were there in planning and journeying? Create an essay that outlines the process behind your journey. Be sure to include text references to show parallels with your life.
  
3. **Persuasive essay with text analysis (2 pages).** What do you think the author's main points were in writing this piece? Choose one point and think critically about your view of this idea.
  - a. Do you agree or disagree?
  - b. Is it a worthy topic for literature?
  - c. Was it explored fully in the text or are there pieces to add?

After answering these questions, compose an essay that asserts your opinion about this issue explored within text. You may include outside sources if you reference them appropriately.