

**IDS 101 – College Colloquium: Mathematics of the Ancient World**  
**Fall 2007**  
**Writing Assignment 1**

Discuss some of the major differences and similarities between the ancient Greeks' and the ancient Babylonians' mathematics. Be specific and provide examples and references to support your statements. Cite according to the style prevalent in your chosen discipline, if you have one; if not, use MLA. Correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation are assumed.

Due Dates

Draft 1	Draft 2	Final Draft
9/14/07	9/28/07	10/10/07

Bring two copies of your draft on each reviewing day. Each draft must be typed, double-spaced, and stapled. When you turn in your draft on Wednesday, include a rating of each reviewer on a scale of 0 to 2, with 2 representing "very useful" and 0 representing "not useful at all." High marks go to reviewers who offer useful comments on your writing, comments that either cause you to make a change or to think more about your writing, arguments, support, etc. Low marks go to comments that do not help you improve your paper in some way. Try to be objective as you evaluate them.

In addition to the hard copy you hand in to me, submit an electronic copy to [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com). Our class ID is 1974827 and our password is oldmath. You will need to create your account the first time you log in.