1. Article Reflection

After reading, [*'Family-Friendly Teachers: Tips for Working with Diverse Families*](https://login.proxy033.nclive.org/login?url=https://www.proquest.com/scholarly-journals/family-friendly-teachers-tips-working-with/docview/232052540/se-2?accountid=9994)*,'* write a 1-2-page reflective summary using the following as a guide:

* How have American families changed over the last few decades?
* In what ways can families be diverse?
* Choose **two** of the family types discussed in the article, and describe how you, as an educator, can support these students and their families.
* Reflect on yourself as an educator.... what do you predict will be easy when it comes to working with diverse families, and what will seem more difficult to navigate?
* Who would you refer to for assistance if you need help supporting a diverse family?

For top score:

* Your submission should be 1-2 pages in length, 12pt font, double spaced
* Your reflection should be free of grammatical/spelling errors
* Cite any resources you use

Ray, J. A. (2005). Family-friendly teachers: Tips for working with diverse families. *Kappa Delta Pi Record, 41*(2), 72-76. Retrieved from <https://login.proxy033.nclive.org/login?url=https://www.proquest.com/scholarly-journals/family-friendly-teachers-tips-working-with/docview/232052540/se-2?accountid=9994>

1. Family Involvement

After completing all reading assignments, it's time to put together your newly acquired knowledge.  This assignment is going to give you an opportunity to plan a Family Involvement night, and create an invitation to send out to families in your classroom.

This assignment will have two parts.

**Part I:**

* Plan a one-hour Family Involvement night for your class - start by choosing a subject or even theme to heighten the interest for attending (examples: Family Reading Night, Science Lab Fun, Family Game Night, Open House, etc.)
* Create an agenda for the evening.  Be specific - what time will families be involved and in what activity
* Will there be time for a question/ answer session?
* What other school personnel will you invite to the session (librarian, media specialist, principal, ESL instructor)?
* Will you have snacks/drinks?
* Will families be involved in the activities side by side with their children?
* How will you wrap the session up?  Will you send any information home?

This can be submitted as a very detailed agenda - you can format your agenda with bullet points, time frames, numbers, or whatever works best for you.  It should be very clear what activities families are participating in and the time frame allotted for each part of your evening.

**Part II:**

* Create an invitation to send home to families.  Include date, time, location, and a general ideal of why it would be beneficial to join in this Family Night.  Make your invitation inviting!

To receive top score:

* Both parts should be completed
* The agenda should be thorough, addressing *at* *least* all bullet points mentioned
* The invitation should be inviting and contain all necessary information
* Be sure to cite any resources you use