

**Assignment 1: College Debt**     **Directions:** Watch the following YouTube video on How to Pay for College (The Right Way) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hh9lor8GLFo> and answer the following questions.

1. What is the current amount of student loan debt in our country? List two reasons why you think this amount is so high.
  - a. \$
  - b.
  - c.
2. Most student loan borrowers have an average of \_\_\_\_\_ in student loan debt. How much higher is this as compared to 13 years ago? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What percent of college graduates walk across the stage with a truckload of debt? \_\_\_\_\_
4. According to the video, what reasons do students give for choosing a particular college? Explain in 2-3 sentences why this reasoning is not always best?
5. The average monthly student loan payment is \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Explain in 2-3 sentences why trade school may be a better option than a traditional 4 year college for some students.
7. Discuss at least two benefits of working during college as mentioned in the video.
  - a.
  - b.
8. What is the average full cost, including room and board, for a four year degree at an in-state public university? \_\_\_\_\_

Write a 2-3 paragraph summary regarding the statements that were made in the video clip. Do you agree or disagree? Why or why not?