

Math 7
Winter 2011
Writing Assignment due Friday, January 7

Write a very short paper (about one page) either arguing that $.999999 \dots = 1$ or arguing that $.999999 \dots \neq 1$.

The most important stylistic considerations, in writing about both philosophy and mathematics, are *precision* and *clarity*. James Pryor, Professor of Philosophy at NYU, has said, on a web page that is well worth checking out,

If your paper sounds as if it were written for a third-grade audience, then you've probably achieved the right sort of clarity.

— James Pryor,

“Guidelines on Writing a Philosophy Paper,”

<http://www.jimpryor.net/teaching/guidelines/writing.html>

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