Essay Two
Hum 3 – Fall 2009 – Rutherford

Essay, 5-6 pages, in Hum format, due at the beginning of lecture, Monday, November 23. Answer one of the following questions.

1. Answer the following question clearly, in detail, with textual evidence. In his address to Parliament, James I appeals to natural law's command of parental authority as support for his view of the divine right of kings. Lear's failure stems from his attempt to assert the divine right of kings in the arena of family relations. Do you agree?

2. Answer the following question clearly, in detail, with textual evidence. If Lear had read the essays by Montaigne that we have read, all of his problems could have been avoided. Do you agree?

3. Answer the following question clearly, in detail, with textual evidence. In "On the Resemblance of Children to their Fathers," Montaigne advances an empirical argument for why medicine cannot be relied on as a science. In book 1 of the New Organon, Bacon advances an empirical argument for why his readers should have confidence in the future progress of science. Why is Bacon so much more confident about the possibility of scientific progress?

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