Blog Directions

* After finishing the editorial, the need to blog it by following the directions below.
	+ While logged into your Google account, go to [www.blogger.com](http://www.blogger.com)
	+ Click “Create blog”
	+ Click “Limited” profile
	+ Click “New blog” and name it. Keep in mind that your blog is a website; it is like naming a magazine in which you will write many articles; we will make many blog posts throughout the school year on this blog. Therefore, don’t name your blog “Editorial.” Instead, think of a creative, yet appropriate name like, “Jacob’s Journal” or “Ricky’s Ramblings” or “Epic Contributions of the Amazing Katie”
	+ Create your blog website address. This is crucial to remember, as it is the URL where your blog is located. I strongly suggest making it just be your first and last name, like “jasonmoore” or “toddstump” because you will have to remember this later. Your blog URL website address will be something like aricfoster.blogspot.com
	+ Choose a cool template theme for how your blog website will look
	+ Click “Create”
	+ Click “No Thanks” about the domain question
	+ Click “New Post”
	+ The title of this first post on your blog should have the word “Editorial” in it somehow. Simply call it “Editorial” or something like, “School Lunches Editorial”
	+ Copy/paste your editorial (including Works Cited page) from your Google drive into the new post
	+ Click “Preview” to see what it will look like. Amend your post if needs be. Some students had said, “Oh gosh. I don’t like that we are publishing this on the internet.” After I ask why, they say have said something like, “It is not my best work,” to which I reply, “Well here is your chance to make it your best and be proud of your writing. Go back and fix it on your Google doc and repeat the copy/paste process to blog it.”
	+ Close the preview window and go back to your blog.
	+ Click “Publish”. Congratulations! You are a blogger. Keep in mind that this is real writing that real writers really do…to get paid.
	+ Now tweet your blog and promote your own “brand”. Create a tweet that tags at least one other person from class (and maybe parental figures or other adults) and uses the class hashtag. It should sound something like this: Hey @tommykillop & @jacksonMAC & @mrbeck9 check out my blog about teenager sleep habits at trevorsmith.blogspot.com #fostere11