## FRESHMAN WRITING INTENSIVE SEMINAR Discussion Questions and Prompts on Monaco, Chapter 4 Part 3

Feel free to review movie trailers and comment on them in the context of answering the questions below.

- 1. Why does Monaco say that cinema has ended? What are some the indicators that it has ended?
- 2. What is postmodern cinema? What are the features of such cinema, and what examples does Monaco discuss?
- 3. Who were the major actors, directors, and other figures from the cinema of the 1980s and 1990s?
- 4. What is the "X from Hell" genre? What are some examples of such films? What examples might you provide?
- 5. Who are/were the major figures and films in the field of independent film?
- 6. What were/are the major figures and films of Black cinema?
- 7. What is the "long tail" and how does it work?
- 8. What were the major figures and films of the "oughts"?
- 9. What is "metafiction" and "metareality" and how do each terms figure in this section?
- Discuss world cinema in the 1980s focusing on the following locations: England, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Scandinavia, Asia, Latin America, Africa, and Mexico.
- 11. Why is the film Crash from 2004 an "emblem of the oughts?"