

Writing Prompt #9  
Due 10/15

Please answer these questions **BEFORE** reading **Chapter 10**! There are no right or wrong answers, I just want you to explore what you know and what you think you know before reading the text.

1. What is your name?
2. How do you think hominins are different from hominoids?
3. What do you think lead to the evolution of hominins? Or, put another way, why did humans (and their ancestors after hominoid-hominin split) evolve?

AFTER READING

1. How do you think the pelvic changes necessary for obligate bipedalism impacted birth?
2. The book presents a few hypotheses for the emergence of bipedalism – come up with and tell me your own hypothesis as to why obligate bipedalism evolved.
3. Of the 3 Pre-Australopithecine specimens, do you think one is more likely to have been an ancestor to australopithecines? Which one and why?
4. What do you make of all this interesting australopithecine diversity?

What are 2 questions you have from the reading?