The Social Network Assignment:

The movie the "Social Network" is a film that chronicles the creation of "Facebook" through a running commentary from the legal proceedings that highlight the struggle to prove who created it! We have been talking about social media and how it affects social relationships in high school. More importantly, how Media sites such as facebook give students the opportunity to engage in unethical acts of cyber bullying. Mark Zuckerberg's portrayal in the beginning scenes of the movie, highlight that Facebook and its preceding companies were created during a bad state of mind for Mark Zuckerberg. As you watch this movie, please use the following guiding questions to help you understand what is taking place.

Please create a blog that responds to the questions below:

1. Why did Mark create "Facesmash"?
   Mark created facemash to compare girls, and see which one guys find more attractive. This action led him to make facebook later on.

2. Do you believe that this website could lead to young women feeling insecure about their appearance? Based on our discussions in class, how do you think most of these women would react to their ratings.
   Yes, I do believe that young woman's feelings will be insecure about themselves. They will probably do things like bad diets, extreme exercises, etc. These things aren’t suppose to be done all of a sudden.

3. Do you think Mark was a cyberbully? Please elaborate?
   Yes, I think he was a cyberbully because he took pictures of girls without their permission and started judging them. Even though he didn't mean to be a cyberbully, he was.

4. When does Mark decide to expand the site to other schools? What role did Erica have in this decision?
In the middle of the story when he wants to get more views. Erica had a huge role. He extends the website from Harvard to the university of Stanford.

5. “I was your only friend - you had one friend,” Eduardo tells Mark across the deposition table. What is Mark and Eduardo's friendship like? Why did it break down?

Their relationship doesn't have any trust in it. It broke down because neither one of them trusted the other. If both of them trusteded the other both of them would have run a good website.

6. How did Mark get the idea to include relationship status on Facebook profiles? What explanation does he give to Eduardo for including this on Facebook?

He gets this idea when he sees another couple. He tells him to put things like single, relationship, it's complicated, etc. This feature lets other people know about you love life.

7. “As if every thought that tumbles through your head was so clever it would be a crime for it not to be shared,” Mark's ex Erica snaps at Mark. Why are people drawn to the idea of broadcasting their personal lives on the internet?

This is because it makes them look cooler and shows their social life.

8. “The internet's not written in pencil, Mark. It's written in ink,' states Erica, seething at the comments he blogged about her. Why is the typed word so powerful? Why is it tempting to misuse this power online? What positive things can social-networking sites achieve when used to their full potential?

Erica says these powerful words because she knows that she is always going to be on the internet. In her future someone might see those pictures and get bad ideas of her. If it is used correct then there is a huge benefit.

9. In what ways does Facebook encourage us to define ourselves? How
does this affect our identity and self-image?
This makes us give away our personal information and other things. You might think there is nothing wrong with that, but that can create a huge problem.

10. How are the themes of 'coolness' and money played out through the film? How do you think users of Facebook will react to knowing that, by sharing their lives publicly, they are allowing someone else to make billions from their personal information?
In the movie coolness and money are the only things that matter. I think some people would make smarter choices after watching this movie.

11. Facebook has around 500 million members worldwide. What impact has it had on our culture?
Facebook has a huge affect. Some for the positive and some for the negative. Positive things are that people can interact with each other. Negative is that people become more lazy.