English 10 — Essay on Aristotle’s Concep of Friendship in the *Nicomachean Ethics*

In an expository essay of 3-5 pages, analyze Aristotle’s concept of friendship as presented in his *Nicomachean Ethics*. In your discussion, be sure to include the following topics:

* why friendship is necessary for happiness (*eudaimonia*)
* general characteristics of friendship
* 3 types of friendship as determined by the respect *telos* of each.
* virtuous person as friend to himself, vicious person as enemy to himself
* friendship and self-interest

Note that this is not an argumentative essay; no critique or opinion is necessary.