TAKE-HOME #1

This is a two-part assignment. Each part should be one-and-a-half to two pages long (a total of from three to four pages).

The assignment is to write an interpretation of a main claim made in our reading from Husserl and one made in our reading from Heidegger.

The assignment is not an essay, but an exercise in learning to find a main claim and interpret it. The explanation should be supported by quoting the text, explaining the text you quote, and showing how the text you quote supports your explanation.

1. What does Husserl mean by the claim that consciousness is intentional, that is, that it is of an object by way of a meaning (1.5 to 2 pages). (As part of your answer, explain at least four main terms that Husserl utilizes in understanding intentionality.)

2. What does Heidegger mean by the claim that we understand things by dealing with them, using them or manipulating them (1.5 to 2 pages). (As part of your answer, explain at least four main terms that Husserl utilizes in discussing the manipulation of things, including equipment, concern, ready-to-hand).

Due date: Tuesday, February 23, 2016