**Mr. Stupp’s 11 Commandment for good History writing**

1. **ATFQ (Answer the Full Question)**
2. **Be as specific as you can without being wrong**
3. **Thou Shalt pre-write**
4. **Write a Thesis and make sure you follow it**
5. **Let the readers make judgements for themselves**

**-keep emotion out of your essay**

**6. Say something relevant: don’t try to fool me**

**7. Always write in 3rd person**

**8. Write in past tense**

**9. Assume the reader is ignorant of your topic**

**10. Be respectful of the historical topic**

**11. Use historical terminology where appropriate**