“On My Honor” Reflection

Please watch the following videos:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tc103Z1hS0s
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7fxBcYbXi0s&feature=relmfu

Please answer the questions below to the best of your ability. Provide a detailed paragraph in response to each numbered item.

1. What do you think it means to have honor as a student at Bloomsburg University? In other words, what is your personal definition of honor as a Bloomsburg University student?

2. In the video, some students talked about the difference between honor and loyalty. Have you ever had to choose loyalty to your friends over maintaining your own honor? Explain.

3. Have you ever heard of an Honor Code? Can you think of an example in your own life where there was some kind of an Honor Code? Do you think the Honor Code changed your behavior or the behaviors of others around you? Explain.

4. Many universities have Honor Codes. Students enrolled at these schools pledge to uphold the academic integrity and social integrity of their universities. For example, some of these schools allow students to take self-scheduled, unsupervised exams. They trust the students and the students trust each other to uphold the honor and academic integrity of the university. Also, some schools have a common student lounge where students store their food in one refrigerator. Students trust each other to uphold the social integrity of the university by not consuming others’ food. Find an example of an Honor Code at a university. Quote the parts of the Honor Code that you think are most important.

5. Bloomsburg University does not currently have an Honor Code. Based on what you learned by researching other universities’ Honor Codes, create a 1-2 paragraph hypothetical Honor Code for the Bloomsburg University Student Handbook. Include your definition of what you think it means to be an honorable student, both academically and socially, at Bloomsburg University. Include the responsibilities and expectations you think all students should uphold at Bloomsburg University.

6. Do you think an Honor Code would be successful at Bloomsburg University? What gives you hope that an Honor Code would be successfully adopted and implemented at Bloomsburg University? What are some obstacles to adopting and implementing an Honor Code at Bloomsburg University? How could these obstacles be addressed?

7. Did you find value in completing this exercise? In other words, what stood out to you, both positively and negatively, as you completed this exercise? Explain.