## Reflection drafts

We all tend to make mistakes and sometimes when we realize it we ask ourselves "how didn't I not notice my mistake in the moment. "And honestly it's really frustrating but looking back at your precious work can be very beneficial to improve ourselves. What I've learned about myself as a reader is, when I read an article and I see a technique that the writer used in his or her piece that stood out to me, I try to incorporate that in my piece of writing. As a writer I learned from myself that I like to use real life scenarios in order to get my point across. For me it's a way to make it easier to understand my writing. As a reader it's been easier for me to understand the author's purpose of writing the article. A few months ago as a writer I wouldn't describe or put too much detail into my writing just because I wouldn't know how to describe what I am trying to say but as time went by I have developed my skill of describing effectively what I'm trying to emphasize in my piece. This class has become very beneficial to me for multiple reasons. I learned about the city tech library database which can give me trustworthy sources. I learned about different types of genres in order to target the right audience for a piece, besides social media platforms there are TEDtalks, podcasts, and many more genres. I learned about the diverse conflicts there are in the world because of my classmates. At the beginning of the semester I would dislike being in groups and having to discuss our writing and honestly at first I wouldn't say what I wrote down just because I was scared about what my group might think but as time went by I started to realize that this technique was a way to learn how to communicate with others and take criticism and my classmates thought to better my writing. Throughout my three major writing assignments you can come across metaphors and similes in my piece. On my first major assignment I said "I was so used to being in my own bubble that when I started school it's like my bubble popped." The reason why I used this was because I meant to make the reader understand that the bubble was supposed to be my comfort zone and then having to leave that and start this new reality, start new things made my bubble pop, I had to go out of my comfort zone. On my major two assignments I said "Mental illness is like a cave, you feel lost and in a really dark place and after being in there for so long you give up on searching for the light "writing this in my piece was a way to make it easier to understand what mental illness is. The reason why I describe mental illness as a cave is because struggling with mental illness really makes you feel like you're stuck in a dark place and some people do try to find a way to get to the exit but sometimes they don't have luck and they just give up and it takes over them. On my major 3rd assignment I wrote "You can think of an open letter as sending a text message to someone but everyone can see it." I wrote this because that's the best way to describe what an open letter is. An open letter is directed to a specific person but anyone can have access to this letter. Anyone can read this "text message."

I am choosing to not revise one of my major assignments because there were very small details that I missed. This made me realize that you need to read carefully what the guidelines are in order to get full credit. Sometimes the smallest things are the ones to count the most. For

example, I didn't arrange my sources in an alphabetical order. I lost five points because of that. Point is that you have to be well aware of the details that are required to get full credit.