

ENG1101

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Final Reflection & Portfolio

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Before I started this course I believed that it would be similar to my English classes in high school since this is my first year taking this English course. But early on I realized that this is not the case, and it is in fact different compared to those classes. For example the low stakes assignments were very new to me, and it really helped me reflect on my writing at the end of the day. The openlab site was also very new to me but I enjoyed writing as much as I possibly could, it was almost like writing practice for the major assignments like drafts and the bibliography. I realize now that reading is very important in how one's writing turns out. Reading a lot of research and papers really helped me see my writing differently. We also did a lot of partner work which was helpful to me because of an outside point of view of a person I don't know. I believe that helped a lot because of how honest people were about my writing. For Unit 1, I enjoyed reading a few different classmates' educational narrative drafts because I would look back at my work and add more or less to my writing. I got good feedback on how I could make my writing stronger, by making it more personal which is something I struggled with in the beginning of this class. Since I'm very private about my life, I feel that talking to classmates about my work and peer reviews really helped me having an open mindset on how I should work on being raw and honest. With this in mind I can be pure and write a lot more than I would usually write. I think the Unit 1 writing assignments made me think a lot about how others view

my work. As a person who loves to read and write I enjoyed learning from other classmates, I was surprised by how honest and personal people made their writings sound. It made me feel like I knew them even if all I knew was their names. That honestly was a great experience because I realized I could write just like that even if I felt it was too personal. After the draft I had made, I revised and liked how deeper and honest I was. It meant that I learned from the comments and reviews others had made on my writing. For example, giving more details about how my childhood friends made a huge impact on my life today. Or how I was struggling in my old elementary school due to the people I surrounded myself with. Writing on a deeper and personal level is something I will continue to do and grow from.

Unit 1:

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Unit 2:

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/pennereng1101fa2023d420mw10am/wp-admin/post.php?post=3730&action=edit>

Unit 3:

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