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Final Reflection & Portfolio

My entire I grew up knowing and learning Spanish first like it was required, and honestly, I did not mind at all because it turned out useful and I loved the language especially when I was speaking it with my friends. But then as a few years passed I had to learn English; I already knew it wasn't for me. I struggled to learn the language like it was messing up my grammar in English and Spanish. But turned out that I was a good writer and put a lot of effort into explaining each detail as much as possible. So this semester I only learned more as a reader (like 85% better) and less than a writer because I was always good at writing; only learned how to cite my evidence better and accurately. Sooner or later I'm gonna be 100% to reading better without messing up but as of right now, I'm perfectly ok with it.

Overall; during each semester someone goes through they end up developing more as a writer and reader but others don't. They just stay the same because they think that they have nothing to learn but highly doubt that because everyone has to learn something either as a writer and reader or as a human being. But for me as a reader and writer, I've learned to:

Expanded Vocabulary: Experiencing a variety of genres and themes will help you broaden your vocabulary, which will improve your ability to communicate ideas in writing with accuracy and effectiveness.

Enhanced Writing Style: You can improve your writing style by practicing consistently and receiving constructive criticism. You might get better at modifying your writing for various readers and objectives.

Increased Research Skills: If you have research projects this semester, you may improve your research abilities by learning how to identify reliable sources, compile material, and incorporate it into your writing.

Time Management: Throughout the semester, managing deadlines and various assignments will help you develop time management skills and become more proficient in both writing and reading assignments.

Adaptability: You can become a more adaptable reader and writer by being exposed to a variety of genres, writing styles, and perspectives. This will make it easier for you to take on a variety of assignments.

Throughout a semester, thinking back on my experiences, the criticism I've gotten, and the abilities I've developed can give me important insights into how I've changed as a reader and writer. These developments can help in my personal life as well because for example :

Communication Skills:

- Apply improved writing skills in personal correspondence, such as emails, letters, or even creative writing for personal enjoyment.
- Use my enhanced analytical skills to express my thoughts and opinions more clearly in conversations.

Critical Thinking:

- Apply critical thinking skills to everyday decision-making processes, considering different perspectives and evaluating information more thoroughly.

Research Skills:

- Use my research skills to explore personal interests or hobbies. Whether it's delving into a new topic or planning a trip, the ability to gather and synthesize information is valuable

Time Management:

- Apply time management skills to organize and prioritize tasks in your personal life, helping you achieve a better balance between work, personal projects, and leisure activities.

Adaptability:

- Embrace new challenges and experiences with an adaptable mindset. Your ability to handle different genres and styles can translate into a more flexible approach to personal growth.

Overall, I can see that the abilities I've acquired are adaptable and useful in a variety of settings. By intentionally incorporating these abilities into my personal life, I can improve my general efficacy and well-being.

Quotes:

Unit 1

“Determination is strong because it is the motivation behind accomplishing objectives and conquering challenges. It strengthens fortitude and tenacity, empowering people to stick with their goals in the face of difficulty.”

Unit 2

“ A person's formative years are crucial for laying down fundamental values, and they frequently have an impact on their decision-making, interpersonal interactions, and worldview in general”

Unit 3

“ Character forged in schools of affluence or adversity unparalleled.

Lessons from friendship,

the grace of laughing, heart-molding,

and the treasured imprint of life”

I have purposely included these examples in my writing because these quotes all have something in common. Determination is one of those strong forces that not only spurs people on to achieve their goals but also makes them more resilient to setbacks and hardships. It also cultivates traits like bravery and perseverance, which are the long-lasting effects of early life experiences on a

person's morals, character, and way of navigating the world. It implies that a person's early years are crucial for setting the foundation for their social and personal growth and that a person's character is shaped by a variety of experiences, connections, laughter, and life lessons. Despite everything I faced this semester, I remained determined to go on and didn't give up, making new friends and reaching out to old ones who supported me in maintaining my current course of action. Unless I tell myself to give up, nothing will change this; let's hope it doesn't come up to that.

Unit 1:

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/pennereng1101fa2023d442tuth215pm/files/2023/10/Education-essay.pdf>

Unit 2:

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/pennereng1101fa2023d442tuth215pm/files/2023/11/Unit-2-Writing-Assignment-1.pdf>

Unit 3:

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/pennereng1101fa2023d442tuth215pm/files/2023/12/Final-poem.pdf>

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/pennereng1101fa2023d442tuth215pm/files/2023/12/U3-reflecti on.pdf>