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Self-Assessment

Through this class I learned a lot and I finally focused on solving one of the major problems that I have in writing. In the past English courses that I have taken, most of my teachers had a major issue with me and it was not being clear or staying on topic and answering the main question. I also had some minor issues that this class helped me acknowledge and some of them I was able to improve. As a person who wasn’t born here and had to learn English as a second language, it becomes easy to acknowledge others’ range of linguistic despite I never met with any of them in person or online but reading the writing pieces gave me an idea. I mostly noticed how different my writing was from other students whenever we did the per-reviews, they helped me see how some other students have a different style and how some of them wrote in a more of a critical way rather than summarizing, which gave me ideas of how I can improve my own writing. Also, I especially noticed it during writing the Engineering Proposal, I noticed how one of my partners was writing in a more ordered way and making his work look professional but in a simple way which all the audience can understand. This showed me how different some of my peers write, which helped me take their writing pieces as an example for me to reflect on and how I can make my writing more critical.This might be already known however for me I started realizing it from this class, which is to re-read my papers entirely and try to improve them. When we learned about how we should order our writing, and we did the first assignment which was the first lab, I realized that my draft was horrible and it needed a lot of improvement, instead of editing it, I started a new one and avoided the mistakes that I made in the first one. In the past I was always lazy and never read my drafts and I would just read my teachers feedback and act as if I improved the writing but, it would still be a disaster. Other from using proof reading, and ordering my writings, I learned the difference between subjective and objective language. Which I learned from that I have been mostly writing in a subjective way and when we did the lab peer previews, my peers noticed that I was writing in a subjective way, and I was glad I got to learn from them, and I started changing the way I wrote from subjective to more objective. One of the most beneficial things that I have gotten from this class and helped me see a lot of my mistakes was feedback from my other students, and my teacher, as I mentioned it helped me to open my eyes to other ideas and other ways of writing. I am really glad to have taken this course earlier in college because it benefitted me in many ways and now I can use them when it comes to writing whether it’s a lab report or other kind of writing.