## Writing experience

Education, Learning



Writing is an art but difficult process for me. Nobody born as a writer but he gains the experience to be able to express his thoughts to others. My experience in writing was very minimal. English is not my native language and was not emphasized in my high school. English writing was basically attested of memory for students. They give us different topics and they give us sample writing. We memorize them and one of the topics would come in the test. We write just because we memorized them. Before I come to University of Louisville I went to intensive English Institute at University of Knoxville for one semester. I did several writing including arguments, personal essays, and research paper. I also learned how to build sentences and paragraphs. The limitation of the English vocabulary made it hard for me to put my thoughts together and clear about certain subject to present it to my audience. I also face difficulties with grammar, specifically with sentence structure. I am always confused what type of sentence I should use, or how to word and punctuate a sentence to express the idea I want. I struggle in transitions throughout paragraphs and thoughts, and give my papers a smoothness that I would like to. be. Every time Whenever I get my essay back, the teacher puts circles all over the paper. They keep telling me that I need to redo this the entire paragraph or something is not clear and that I need to write more when I've explained everything I could about the topic. Also, my essays are so short, which is why that I am constantly getting low grades for my English classes. I can never think of anything to write about to make the essay longer and it is very frustrating. On the other hand, I was wondering why there are some students that get excellent grades on their essays like it's nothing very easily. I started to look for my weaknesses and

strengths in writing and how to improve my language. To overcome my writing weaknesses skills I had to take more English courses to improve my writing skills and learn a lot about the writing process. Writing does not come spontaneously, but is suffering from the moment of emergence of idea, and then its fermentation in mind until we write it to the audience. I also start reading English newspapers, Nnovels and stories to gather creditable information to support what I write and present it to my audience. Nobody doubts that the brain is like a sponge, and we are like mirrors. We reflect back into the world all that we have taken in. Therefore, I start reading several books in several forms from several eras and different regions written by several authors in order to improve my style of writing as well. Everything I have learned is useful and helpful to guide me to write my term papers and essays. I think my writing is still basic, and I have to work harder to enhance my writing ability while I am in the university, to be able to organize my thoughts to make sense. I also need to write term papers and researches to make them understood understandable by to the readers. Using the internet is very useful for writing researches as I am always able to support my ideas with adding quotations and facts from other sources to my papers to convince my audience. Writing research is easier nowadays because Oof the complete online library in the internet. I can easily search for any topic and collect enough information about it, that help helps me to express my ideas to my readers. I always find it hard to think in my native language Arabic, and then translate it to English. Therefore, living in America helped me to understand some idioms which I do not have them in my native language. Using these expressions in my writing make the language I use more colorful.