

How i started writing and reading essay sample

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Throughout my school experience, I learned to love reading and the art of the book. Now I am an avid reader, and attempt to take steps to inform myself as much as possible whenever I can. In this essay, I shall detail the reasoning behind my current and former literary practices, and tie them to how it developed throughout my life. I did not have a great deal of literacy experience growing up in my home country. My parents were avid readers, but their attempts to inspire me to read were not well-received by me, since I was a bit of an immature child growing up. I spent most of my time working or watching television, and I would play with my toys. The beginning of school was very difficult for me, since I hated reading - I read a bit from when my parents forced me to, and I could read pretty well myself, but I absolutely hated having to do it. It felt like a chore for me, since my parents were always really dedicated to having me read as much as possible.

Despite having this reading experience, I still hated reading itself. It always seemed boring to me, and I would always just hang out with my friends or do whatever I wanted when I was by myself. I never actively chose to read for pleasure, and I tended to not like my teachers or my parents trying to teach me discipline, so I would not read or do what they said when it was possible for me to do so. I knew how to read, but reading for fun was simply out of the question for me - reading was for boring grownups, I thought, and I did not have the proper discipline. This made me work much harder in life and school once I got to college. Once I was able to start checking books out from the library, I did so constantly. I started out slow, with fiction books: I just wanted to practice and find new words. Once, when I was in third grade, I checked out the dictionary, and tried to make my way through it. I just read

it casually, not taking notes or using any other method to get it into my head. I got to C before I gave up; there were far too many words to take into account, and I simply could not keep up that pace. Eventually, I would get my own dictionary as a reference, but I would never again attempt to just work my way through every word in the English language.

I also do my best to read works on a wide variety of topics, so as to not restrict my learning to just one thing. I will alternate between nonfiction, fiction, news, articles, biographies, sports books, history, etc., or at least attempt to with every new work. This, I think, will give me a slightly wider range of knowledge than if I were to just read everything I enjoyed.

Sometimes these works are a bore to get through, but in the end I feel as though I have been exposed to a new topic. In the end, I feel it is better that I be more informed than merely read what I like. In conclusion, my limited interest in reading in the beginning of my life was overcome through hard work and a hunger for the written word that I developed due to a need to fit in with my peers. It was also helped by the I wanted to catch up with everyone, and so I started to read as much as possible, a habit I continue to this day. It is something that I hope to keep doing - I never want to stop reading, learning and being entertained.