Journal Entry 2

Ever since my meeting with Mr. Morrison, I’ve noticed my bad habits when I write. I’ve made a mind to do better and catch those mistakes when I write. Because of this, obviously my writing has gotten better than it was to start out as. I am also in a German class, which has also help in understanding how language works. But, there is still a ways to go.

This was made evident by the results of the midterm. Going in, I was confident as I was going into UNIV to start the semester. I figured I learned what my common mistakes were and that I was going to blow the exam out of the water. When I got the grade back, I saw that I got an 8.13 of 10, which isn’t bad but not what I was looking for. I finished the exam 45 minutes early so I reread it several times and changed things over and over to fine-tune the essay to how I wanted it. So I was upset to a point to see the grade I got.

I have received help from my mother to find what I can work on to be a better writer. My mother is working on a master’s degree I environmental science and has been doing college level work for a long time. She says she has done well in writing classes and that her professors have always been pleased with her writing so I think she can be a big help for me moving forward.

One thing that has been pointed out to me is the flow in which I write may be hard to follow at times. So that is one thing I try to look for when I read over my work to catch before I submit anything. For personal reasons, I would like to make my thesis clearer. I always feel like I have a hard time defining what it is I will be writing about in the first paragraph of my essays.

That being said, I would like to see much improvement before the final sample placement test. I would like to show much more progress than I have thus far through the test. I plan on achieving that through my continuous writing throughout the end of the course.