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Creative writing  
Writers Statement

Through out my years of school, I was told by majority of my teachers that I was skilled in writing. Growing up I was ever really fond of school but the subject that seemed to come easy to me, was literature. I hadn't begun to enjoy and seek out writing until my freshman year. I believe there are several other factors that come with writing that I tend to struggle with, making it a love hate relationship. One of those factors is spelling, something I seem to lack skill in (let's just say I'm thankful for auto-correct). I also do not like to read, which is apparent in writing. While these do put a gap in the passion, there are also several factors that I love. Word choice, sentence structure, and grammar push me to better my writing and give me the needed edge to continue on!

One concept that constantly comes to my brain is fantasizing. I love movies and the creative plots that draw people in. When I imagine a story, I want it to have the power to inspire others in various ways. If I'm forced to focus on certain topics that eliminates the usage of creativity, I become frustrated and believe that the work lacks interest. To ease myself, I will go to a quiet place and type a story on my laptop or in my phone notes. There are occasions when I become too focused on the description of a setting or character, and then not know where to direct the story from that point. I also get the same issue after I have been working on one piece for a long period of time. I do love the ability to write creatively because I feel like there are no boundaries and I can compose the work I have envisioned. This is a great quality, but it can also become difficult because there are no guidelines and I struggle with the structure.

Looking at myself as a writer, I would say that I'm fairly descriptive. Something I enjoy is being able to picture the words as they are written. I also like to challenge my composition by using complex vocabulary. My work mainly focuses on made up story lines. I have also constructed several argument or persuasive papers from several school classes. Both are very different in style but focus on the public interest. Some of my random pieces resemble the composition of a vlog, consisting of my specific thoughts and opinions. My work varies in subject and style but most of them are unfinished or need to be revised.

The thought of becoming a professional writer has come to my mind in several different occasions. Unfortunately, I possess the mindset that I am unable to reach that point, and if I did there would be no stability. As of right now, my plan is to go to college and major in business while minoring in literature; which I could possibly turn into a reasonable job while writing on the side. When and if that happens, I would like to continue into storyline writing. I do, in particular, favor romance novels. As of right now I will continue to free write with whatever comes into my brain. I hope to constantly learn new techniques and styles that can possibly help me become a better, and matured, writer.