Throughout a majority of my K-12 education I looked upon writing as an annoyance. Essays were a form of torture, and anything I wrote creatively was overly banal. Thankfully during my sophomore year I met someone to ease the pain. Mr. Frode was both my English and creative writing teacher. Before his teaching career, he spent his days as a Trappist monk. Therefore he had a very calm, patient, and positive attitude toward all writing. He majestically passes on his knowledge of writing to others, and explains why he loves to write so much. Mr. Frode’s perspectives on writing were passed on to me, allowing me to view creative writing as an opportunity, instead of a task.

Reading has stayed rather constant for me over my lifespan. I pick up a book here and there, but I nowhere near drown myself in literature. I don’t hate reading, but I will say it takes a good book to keep me turning the pages. With a fair amount of effort I can comprehend most literature. Overall I have a neutral attitude toward reading, it just depends on the content.