**WRITING 1 (5%) – Week 6**

**To be filled out by STUDENT:**

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| **Name:** | **Paul-Étienne Paquin** |
| **Number of Words:** |  |

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|  | **Answer “Yes” or “No”** |
| I have double-spaced (2.0) my text | Yes |
| I have used a regular font size (usually about 11 or 12 points) | Yes |
| I have organized my text into multiple paragraphs | Yes |
| I have skipped a line (left some extra space) between paragraphs. | Yes |
| Check off the applicable tense:  “ The (main) actions in my story are told in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tense. ”  \_\_\_ in the PRESENT: happening now (I’m walking to school… I see… )  x in the PAST: the actions happened in the past (I was walking to school… I saw…) | |
| I have checked my verbs to make sure I use PRESENT tense and / or PAST tense where appropriate. | Yes |

**To be filled out by TEACHER:**

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| Content & Organization: | / 10 |
| Grammar & Vocabulary & Spelling & Punctuation: | / 10 |
| Remember to double-space (2.0) your texts! |  |
| Use a regular font size. |  |
| Organize your text into more paragraphs. |  |
| Leave some extra space between paragraphs. |  |
| Other: |  |

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1. **Use page 1 of this document as the first page of your assignment.**

Fill out the top half of the page, where it says “To be filled out by STUDENT.”

When submitting your work, you must also submit that page and it must be filled out. 🡪 You lose points if anything is missing.

1. **Write a text of about 250-350 words on the subject of** **moving** (inspired by the short story “Eraser Tattoo”).

* You may write about a personal experience, invent an experience, or use a story that you heard about in the group discussion about the story “Eraser Tattoo” in Week 4.
* Ideas:
* Write about moving away from a place or people that you really liked.
* Write about a time when somebody you liked moved away.
* Write about a positive experience when you moved (like a fresh start, new opportunities, meeting new people, etc.)

1. Write an **interesting text**. Your story should **have some meaning, depth or “important thoughts.”**

In other words, don’t simply write that you moved to a new city, changed schools and that it was difficult.

Instead: explain what was difficult and how you felt; talk about how it affected you and your life; describe the friendship with the person who (you) left or the friendship with somebody new; explain the positive changes; etc.

1. If your text isn’t long enough (= fewer than 250 words), write an additional paragraph on one of the following:

N.B. Identify this paragraph as “Extra”

* A summary of “Eraser Tattoo”
* Shay’s thoughts about her move and how it affects her (use “I”)
* Dante’s thoughts about Shay’s move and how it affects him (use “I”)

1. When ready: submit your work in the Remise on Léa (in TRAVAUX).

My moving experience

I was born in Sherbrooke, twenty years ago today. I was happy there. I had a couple friends and school was going well. But at that time, the most important thing in my life was my best friend, Alexandre, which I had met in preschool. We were inseparable, like siamese twins; we did everything together. We did our homework, our group projects and even our chores together.

Until that faithful day, I remember it like it was yesterday. I was five years old when my mother came and told me of the terrifying news. She said that at the end of the school year, we would be moving to Saint-Lambert, one hour and thirty minutes away from my place of birth. I was petrified, it was horrifying to say the least. At that moment, I was thinking of all the things I was about to lose, but most of all about him, Alexandre. Finding someone like him was simply impossible. It was devastating to say the least. That very same day, I went to his house to tell him the news. He was so sad to learn that we wouldn’t see each other as often. In our sadness, we made a promise: we would try and see each other at least once a month. It would not be an easy one to keep, as we would have to convince our parents to make the journey with us. But to this day, we have never broken that link of trust and we still see each other once a month.