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**Unit 2 Reflection:**

**Unit Content**

1. Before this class, had you ever written a***profile***? ❏ Yes ✓ No
2. How would you describe a ***profile*** to somebody that’s never heard of it before?

A profile is a short biography that mainly discusses the main characteristics and personality or sometimes the background of a person or community.

1. How would you describe writing role of a ***reporter***to someone that’s never heard of it before?

The writer of a profile shares the similarity of a news reporter; they both tell a story or talk about a story or incident to the audience who might have not known or heard about the story previously. Therefore, as reporter they need to clearly show what exactly is going on with the subject.

1. Who is your ***audience*** for this profile? How did you make your profile engaging for them?

My audience is those who just entered the field of classical music, and they are desired to learn more about this subject. In my profile, I included an interview with a former orchestra violinist to illustrate the importance of the conductor. Additionally, some interesting facts about the person are added to it for more interactive.

1. What is ***primary research****?* What is ***secondary research***?

Primary research is research such as making personal interview, while secondary research focuses on the physical materials like books, journals.

1. What are some advantages and disadvantages of using primary and secondary research in a profile?

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|  | Advantages | Disadvantages |
| Primary Research | It is easy to ask additional question in an interview for clarification. | Usually interview need to be scheduled prior to occurring, and it takes place at the time that each of it decided, and the place they selected. |
| Secondary Research | Easy to access, no time limitation. The type of secondary research is various depends on the need and purpose | Some content may be difficult to understand if there is no external help. |

1. Reflect on the skill of **citing information**. How will this skill help you outside of this class?   
   In what types of situations might you use this skill?

Citing information is a very fundamental skill for college student, who will implement this skill across the entire college career whenever and wherever there is a need to write an academic paper which proper citation is required.

**Your Essay**

Look at the grading rubric. Which category of the rubric was **most effective** in your profile? **Why?** Describe that feature.

my organization is the most effective in my profile. I designed an outline prior to the writing of the profile. When I am writing the profile, I have the outline guides me how to arrange paragraphs and how to make a smooth transition when changing one idea to another.

Overall, how effectively does your profile answer the prompt? **Why?**

Give your essay a score between 1-10 (1 = Doesn’t answer the prompt; 10 = Fully explores the prompt)

8 out of 10, my structure is not strong and tie enough to claim the full score, however, as I practice more and more, I believe my skill will be eventually improved.

**Next Unit: *Your turn to speak up!***

What was the most helpful **class activity/topic** from this unit?

Peer review, where classmate and instructor give me feedback and advices.

What was the least helpful **class activity/topic** from this unit?

(hard to say) it would be the in-class discussion.