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Certification of authorship ( <b>deduction if not present</b> )	-.5	
Correct document naming ( <b>deduction if not present</b> )	-.5	
Describe two moments and their origins	2	
Identify why each was a learning moment for you	2	
Connect the learning moment to: the deliverables for this course and your life outside of university	4	
Presentation – Grammar, spelling, layout	<u>2</u>	
Total	<u>10</u>	

### **First Learning Moment:**

It was not too long ago. It was this year. I am 22 years old. I had an opportunity to give a lecture at Halifax Central Library. One of my friend invited me to do some volunteering. He works at library. His job is teaching people new technologies in computer science and other science fields. I never did any volunteering in my entire life, so it was the first time. I had to take the big decisions, because it was not an ordinary place. It is one of the core place in Halifax. I had taken my best preparation ever. In general, I do not attend crowdly places. I had to give it a shot, so I went there and gave my best shot. It was one of the best decisions in my life ever since I left my country in 2014. I chose it because I realized that nobody knew me there, so it would not be a matter after my lecture. They will be stranger as they were. I chose to do it because of my career improvement. It will look on my resume. It made me happy because I completed everything on time, and did very well. I felt that I achieved something after a long time. I really appreciated my friend's help. I am grateful to him what he had done for me. He pulled me out from one of my greatest fear. He made me comfortable in this place now. Now I become a bit more extrovert than before. I believe in myself that I can go out there and talk about what I want. I can raise my voice when it is needed. I always believed that working as a volunteer is a waste of time. It just a time pass, but now I realize the importance of volunteering. Even after that event, I started volunteering regularly. I teach English grammar. It is a Chinese girl. She is one of my friend's friend. Every weekend, I teach her new sections of English grammar. It is not only helping her but also helping me to revise my old grammar. Sometimes, she also teaches me transitional Chinese language. Now I do not run after money anymore like I used to. Only money can not bring happiness all the time, helping people can. When it comes to relate my volunteering work to Management course, I can easily say that my speaking skill as well as presentation skill has improved so much. I started talking to my classmates. When I need help, I can ask for it. I used to be super quiet and shy. Now these days, it is changing. I believe this changing is for good. This changing is needed in my life in this time.

## **Second Learning Moment:**

It was 2014, when I was 19 years old. My parents decided that they will send me abroad for further education. It seemed that sending me abroad was their primary intention, but it was not the only reason. When I started my university life in Bangladesh, I was very lazy, unproductive. There were no guidelines for university students in my country at that time. Students could do whatever they wanted to do. At one point, my dad figured out that drugs were available at university campus. It reminded him his childhood. My dad used to live in rural village area. My grand dad sent my dad to city for better education. It was not easy for my grand dad and my dad. My dad's mom died when he was only 5 years old, so he never knew what is mom's love. When my grand dad sent my dad to city, it was very expensive. When I was sent to abroad, it was super expensive. One Canadian dollar is equal to sixty in my home country's currency. My parents managed me to go abroad. They showed me the path, and explained why I should walk on this road. First few months in Canada, their decisions made me sad, vulnerable, at one point I almost lost my hope. I stopped my regular study. It took time to get used to with Canadian cultures where I am totally unknown and I do not have any friends and family. Then a few months later, I started realizing that how much money my parents are spending on me to give me better future. They are not doing it for themselves. I tried to forget my sorrow and I turned my weakness into my motivation. Every time I fell, I think about the hard work they are doing for me. They can not spend an extra money. Their sacrifice for me is beyond my thought. This step changed my entire life. I become independent. I never cooked in my life. Now I have to cook, and I managed my life very well, which is not easy for a typical south Asian boy. It is not my culture to cook, work while studying. I changed my life. Now I can take responsibilities. I do work, I pay my rents, bills, and other stuffs. I love my parents. It will sound odd, but it is true. I have only one friend in Bangladesh. We are together more than 12 years. He helped me a lot to be who I am today. He is a big part of my life. He taught me the real meaning of friendship. The only thing that I can relate to this course is motivation. How motivation comes up our life and how it helps. I got my motivation from my parents' sacrifice. What my parents are doing for me, it is unbelievable, and I will not able to payout them. I am thankful to them, and blessed that I have parents like them.