

To: Dr. Chowdhury and classmates in Engl 103 A8
From: Boyuan Dong
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Subject: Term Self-Assessment

Dear Dr. Chowdhury and Hardworking Classmates:

Please accept the following as an assessment of my participation throughout the spring 2018 term as a student in section A8 of Engl 103.

As for attendance, I attended all the classes on time. And I always come to class with all readings and homework done. I also wrote notes or marked important sentences in the book while I did pre-reading. Whenever there's a question in the class, I tried to find the answer and answer the questions. I wanted to behave more active in class, but I was held back by being not so sure if my answers are correct. When I spoke, I tried to give my thoughtful opinions about the reading. One example of this is when you asked what's the significance of Abner's words about the plantation house after he was driven out. I pointed out that Abner thought upper-class people were getting rich because they took away the properties of the black people and the poor. Another example if this is when you asked why Gatsby was thought to be honest. I pointed out that because he admitted the fact that he never studied at Oxford.

Most of the time, I was attentive in class. I also took notes and listened carefully while other students were speaking. In fact, I really admire Christina. She always took notes carefully in class. And was always willing to share her opinions or even questions with us. Also, she always gave other students time to talk.

As for the writing portfolio, I did complete all daily homework and assignments on time. I put in above-average effort in the homework and assignments. Actually, I proved my English a lot due to this course. I got a 'C+' for the first in-class writing assignment. But I got two 'B-' for the following two essays. And then, I got a 'B' for the next in-class essay assignment. It's good to see I was making steady progress in my assignments. Especially for the first time to take an English class. However, I still need to put more effort into learning English. From what has been discussed above, I believe that a 'B' for participation and the writing portfolio would be fair to me and my classmates. However, I respect your judgment, if you have any other thoughts.

Finally, I would like to thank you and other classmates for your kind patience and help.

I attest that everything in this report is truthful and acknowledge that in case of any discrepancy between my self-assessment and the instructor's and classmates' impression of my participation, the instructor reserves the right to amend it.

Sincerely,

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