

Introduction

In this creative and lighthearted activity, you'll have the opportunity to express your feelings toward an operating system or application you use frequently. Whether it's a love letter filled with appreciation or a break-up letter with frustrations, this exercise allows you to explore your emotions through writing.

Prompt

Choose either Option A or Option B to complete this activity:

- A. **Love Letter** Imagine writing a love letter to an operating system or application that you absolutely adore and can't imagine living without. Pour your feelings into words and let your appreciation shine through.
- B. **Break-up Letter** Picture yourself writing a break-up letter to an operating system or application that has caused you frustration, annoyance, or disappointment. Express your feelings honestly while using a touch of humor.

Instructions:

1. **Choose Your Recipient:** Select an operating system or application as the recipient of your letter. It could be a specific version of an OS, a software tool, a mobile app, or any digital entity you interact with regularly.
2. **Compose Your Letter:** Write your love letter or break-up letter to the chosen recipient. Feel free to infuse creativity, humor, and personal anecdotes into your writing.
3. **Share Your Letter:** Post your letter in the discussion forum. You can either share the full text or provide a summary if your letter is lengthy.
4. **Read and Respond:** Read your peers' letters and engage in responses. Share your thoughts, relate to their experiences, and provide supportive comments.

Reflection Questions:

- Why did you choose the particular operating system or application for your letter?
- What emotions did you feel while writing the letter?
- How does this activity reflect the role that technology plays in our lives?

- Did the process of writing the letter help you better understand your feelings toward the technology you interact with?

Conclusion

By engaging in this creative writing activity, you'll explore your relationship with technology in a unique way. Whether you're expressing love or venting frustration, remember that this exercise is meant to be lighthearted and entertaining.

Guidelines

- Be respectful in your expressions, even if you're writing a break-up letter.
- Respond to at least two of your peers' letters to foster an interactive discussion.
- Enjoy the creative process and have fun with your writing!

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Dear Windows,

You've been the gateway to the world for me for over two decades now. From 98, to XP, and back to numbers again with 7, you've gone by many names but ultimately at your core stayed the same. We've been on educational journeys that span from methodically planned courses to trial and error brute force until one of us broke. We've watched videos and movies, played games and songs. Made websites, occasionally working applications, and the very same media that we've consumed throughout the years. Or well. More accurately you did all the switch flipping while I did those things. You led me to many of the most important people I've ever had the pleasure of meeting. At times, I'm frustrated by your changes of face, as seemingly just when I got to know those parts of you best, you'd walk in with a brand-new face to learn once again. You've never made it impossible though, even to switch back. So, despite the blue screen, the new start menu (that yes, I am still upset over, you know how I pin all my things there!), and your sporadic new appearances, you've reliably executed everything I could ask for. While I may be a bit clingy to some of your older ways, I always appreciate your efforts to try something new and look forward to everything coming next.

Yours, David.