**English language 1**

**- Homework IV -**

Life. What a beautiful thing when you get into it, but… what is the meaning of it? The answer to this question is very subjective, so really, there are no wrong answers. For me, life is about happiness, doing things that bring a smile to my face, but also not being afraid to face new challenges and push myself into progression. On that path, I stumbled upon something called a career.

At the moment of writing this, I am studying in the third year of my bachelor’s degree at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering in Niš. The field I chose to pursue, at this faculty, is computing science and informatics, something that gets the attention of almost anyone who enrolls here. I won’t lie, it’s not the easiest module you could study here, but I can assure you it's the most lucrative one. Unlike other faculties that have similar topics, ours provides us with courses that go over hardware, as much as software, so we, as future software engineers, can be competent for developing software for a diverse group of platforms in the most efficient way possible.

For the past two years, I’ve acquired knowledge in many fields of computer engineering, as well as knowledge of some general courses, like mathematics and physics. Throughout understanding problems those courses presented as well as their solutions, I've slowly gained all the necessary knowledge I need to apply to courses I am taking at the moment.

In the current, fifth, semester of my module, obligatory course we have, in no particular order, are as follows:

- Operating systems,

- Object-oriented analysis and design,

- Computer networks,

- Web development,

- English language 1,

- Basics and analysis of signals and systems, which is one of the modules I chose.

Almost all of the courses are realized with lectures based on both theoretical and practical approach, so we can see how the theory is applied, and better understand it. But that can be a double-edged sword because everyone here would tell you that practicums are the most stressful part in all of this. During the practicum period, almost every week, or for some courses every week, you are given a problem, you need to solve by applying knowledge given in previous lectures, and for this, you have a limited amount of time. It may not sound very complicated, but just imagine finishing one, and tomorrow, you have a brand new one, for a totally different course, and this cycle lasts until the exam period. Again, doing them helps you be on top of your lectures, and we are awarded points that count to our final grade, so it’s not all bad. 😊

Even though it can be stressful, I enjoy what we are doing here. This is a very new field of work, so people are more open-minded and easygoing. I am not the most social and outgoing person, but getting to know people with similar interests here has helped me realize I am not so different. The professors here have a slightly childish behavior, which in my eyes is a good thing. It’s good to break the serious with a little bit of “I’m also a human” parts. All in all, this is just another period of my life, and I’ll try to make the best of it, and have fun.