

Clarity/ Specificity (Or Clarifying Myself)

Goodwill/ Encouragement

Asking questions

Using I-statements

Directive Statements (You should..., Change this. Do that.)

Discussing my own writing

Level 1 Concerns (Audience, Purpose, Content, Ideas)

Level 2 Concerns (Thesis, Organization/ Structure)

Level 3 Concerns (Expression, Word Choice, Formatting)

Level 4 Concerns (Proofreading, Editing)

Introductions/Other Miscellaneous Filler

Hi Keleia! My name is Blayne and I am going to be your online writing consultant. I think you have a really good project idea that could possibly help out many people. I just have a few questions for you to consider when revising your paper at a later date. First, what is your audience? If it is other teens, what do you want them to feel empowered to do after reading your paper? Research is very important to writing a strong paper and gathering your resources. Have you been able to find any resources that you plan to use in your research? I think you have the beginnings of a great project in place and I'm eager to see how your project turns out. I'm looking forward to your next entry!

-Blayne

Hi Keleia! I'm just checking in on you again to see how your project is going. Are you having any troubles or do you have any questions that you'd like to ask me? I haven't seen much activity on your site in a while and I was just wondering how your project is going. Again, I'm looking forward to your next entry!

Hey Aaron! I really enjoyed viewing your project. I think you have an excellent idea in place. You have plenty of great photographs that help to support your belief. In order to better emphasize your story I would suggest that you use some panning techniques. I think that would help draw people in to the smiles on your face and those that you are helping. When you read your essay over your video, make sure to emphasize proper

acing. If you keep all of this in mind I think you will have a strong project. It really looks great. Keep up the good work!

Well first off, I think that this is a good topic to work on and you have good reasons to work on this project. I do agree that many people outwardly judge others and their beliefs just based on their respective party affiliation. That isn't fair to the individuals and there is no correct way of judging someone in that context. Just because you're a member of a party doesn't necessarily mean you believe in all of their beliefs. Maybe one of the questions that you can ask them is "What are the major reasons why you support your party?" I am just curious how you plan on doing this research and what kinds of questions you may ask people to find out information about their views on others. Again, I think it is a good idea for a project and it has great potential. I wish you good luck in completing it!

I also feel that this would be slightly hard to research just due to the fact that there is going to be a definite response-bias if you are asking people these things. Some of the questions you addressed in the beginning seem to be a bit too personal to ask people directly, which I know you addressed. But if you need individual statistics, how do you plan on getting them? Some things you may want to consider are just how you are going to get this information and how to control for bias. I do believe that this is a problem on campus that needs to be addressed though. If you think it is a good project track to work on I wish you luck, because I think you could really help some people out on this issue if given the chance.

I agree with you completely on all points but then again I am slightly biased because I, as well, am a devoted Christian. I think that this is a good idea for a project and if it is something you are really interested in researching, I say go for it! The only thing that I can say to watch out for is response-bias if people are filling out surveys on their religious experiences. They may tend to report themselves as more involved or into it for other reasons just because of the nature of things. Hopefully the randomization factor will help in lowering that. Either way, just keep that in mind as you conduct your research. Good luck on your project! I think that it could provide a great opportunity for community outreach and spreading the word of God.

Hey! I am Blayne Johnson and I am going to be your OW Consultant. I am a freshman at East Carolina University and I plan on majoring in Biology on the pre-Optometry track. My hobbies include playing guitar and saxophone, watching movies, fishing, and just hanging out with my friends. I am a hard-working devoted student and I enjoy writing. Over the years, I have developed as a writer and I hope that I can help you to do the same. I hope that we can develop a good working relationship but in order to do that I need to know a little bit about you as well. What are your plans for the future? What are some of your hobbies and interests? Do you have any project ideas in mind? How do you want our working-relationship to be? I am very excited to get to know you and work with you as time progresses. I hope to be there

whenever possible to guide and assist you in the right direction if it is needed. Don't ever hesitate to ask me for help. Of course I can't simply do your work for you but I will do everything possible to help you become a better writer through proofing your work or through any form of guidance that you seek. I can't wait to get to know you once we get into regular communication. How would you like us to communicate? There are many options out there such as through posts on your blog, through email, through Skype calls, instant messaging, and phone calls (I will be glad give you my number). This is just a short list of options, so feel free to pick the medium of communication that you feel the most comfortable with. Also, how often would you like us to communicate with one another? I will be sure to communicate with you weekly but don't hesitate to let me know whenever you would like assistance. I am really looking forward to reading and responding to your work. I hope to harbor a relationship together that can create a positive learning environment for you to develop further as a writer. I hope to hear from you soon!

Tristan, I really enjoyed reading your viewpoint of advocacy. One of the things I really liked in your post was the two styles of advocacy you pointed out. There are definitely many different styles that people can gravitate towards while advocating a subject but there is no doubt that the two distinct forms of advocacy that you pointed out are the most common. What style do you like to take when you are advocating something? I also enjoyed reading about your community. It sounds like you were really involved! If there's one thing that I've learned over the years, it is that no matter what community you reside in, there are multiple ways to get involved. I think that it is great that you supported the Newport Humane Society. I always think it is great to see people openly trying to make a difference in the world, whether it's through helping animals or humans!

I completely agree with you Tristan on the issue of violence. Nothing good ever comes out of violence and everything would be a lot better for everyone if the world wasn't so full of hatred. Sadly though, at this point in time, there seems to be no end to violence and bloodshed. It almost seems to be much too common of a theme nowadays. It seems as if every time I turn on the television there are more and more reports of murders and deaths, both here on the homefront and overseas. I also agree that Greenville isn't necessarily the safest place to be. I think anything that we could do to make it safer here for the Greenville community would be a true blessing. I like how you outreached your project to a global scale. Have you looked into any peace or anti-violence organizations on campus? There may be one that could offer you assistance if needed. Although it may be a bit difficult and you would require a lot of outside help, it is an extremely important issue and I would support you all the way through.

Travis, I think that your battle scar story is great. While many others may have had large cuts or bruises to talk about, your scar story holds a good personal memory within it. What immediately caught my attention when I began reading your paper was your excellent use of grammar. You used words such as accrued" and

“superfluous”, which are not normally used in everyday speech. I like it when a writer introduces me to words that I may not have been accustomed to before. I also enjoyed the concept that you were left with more than one scar when the night was over, both a physical and emotional one. **In either case it appears you enjoyed getting the scars. This cannot be said about many of the other scar stories.** The way you described you and your girlfriend’s competitive nature compelled me even further in to reading your story. I like the fact that your story was completely joyful throughout your entire piece. It appears to me to give off a vibe that you experienced many good memories that night that will never be forgotten. It is always good to have these positive memories for looking back at your previous life experiences. You appear to have a very well developed writing style. I look forward to reading your blog in the future!

Jonathan, I thought you had a really great battle scar story. Not only was it very unique, but it was also very interesting. I really enjoyed your writing style. The way you talked in your paper really drew me in to the story. I think it’s great when a reader is able to become involved in someone else’s work when reading it. Although this incident occurred when you were only nine, you described it like it was yesterday. **Then again, I don’t blame you though. I think an accident like this would be hard to forget!** I like how you explain how ordinary the situation was before everything happened. **This helped to convey to me just how much of a freak accident your battle scar story really is. I was not expecting that drastic to happen. Another thing that instantly drew me in to reading your blog post was the picture that you used. It’s not everyday that you see a guy nailing a nail into his nose. That drew my attention, so I had to immediately read your story.** Although, you claim that you felt no pain during the incident, I felt the pain for you as I read your story. The thought of a nail being driven through my nose surely doesn’t make me feel comfortable. Anyways, I thought you had an excellent story and I hope you keep up the good work!

Jennifer, I think your scar story is one of the best that I have read so far. Not only because it was different from all the other stories, but because it also had deep personal meaning. I really enjoyed how you slowly built up to your main scar story by explaining several minor scar stories before-hand. **This made me, as the reader, excited to see what your battle scar story was going to be about.** I commend you on writing about something such as this because I know sometimes matters like this hold deep personal meaning to people and they may be hard to convey to others. You did an excellent job in conveying your story to the reader as well. **I felt your personal conflict when describing the whole ordeal.** I thought that it was very interesting that you actually chose to have your scar. **When you think about scars you don’t normally think of people having them done to themselves on purpose. That is another thing that makes your story unique.** I also know from reading your story that it was not an easy decision for you to make. I guess sometimes some of the biggest decisions in life are the toughest to make. I’m just glad that you are alright and everything turned out fine in the end. This was a great and original story. I hope to be seeing more great blog posts from you soon!