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Reflection: Research Project

For my research project, I will be discussing about the awareness of the endangered local animals here in the CNMI. In my research presentation, the audience will learn the rules and regulations about the local animals that can be touched or not. Reflecting on my research project, I realize that I need to add more information before I finalize it. During the presentation I will be talking about what the Department of Fish and Wildlife are doing to help these endangered animals. I feel that my topic is a good eye-opener for the people here in the CNMI because they can start to care more about the environment and the animals living in it, and their habitats. Yes, it is a good topic because these local animals need help and they should also be part of the future in the CNMI. Our children, and our children’s children deserve to see a part of our culture through these animals. Thinking if I should work on it further is a 50/50 chance because it would be a lot of work to go through the process of taking survey, collecting data, and analyzing it all over again. However, at the same time, I do want to work on it further because I want to see the increase or maybe, even though it is sad to say, the decrease of our endangered animals here in the CNMI after how many years. I believe there were many other better topics than this, but I really love the environment and nature. I can say I am happy I chose this and I would not pick another topic. The environment; nature itself is not only the animals habitat, it is their home just like how it is our home as well.

I prefer different essays being given out that connects to your final research paper than being told to write one research paper at once. I like this method because it gives us more time to think our topic thoroughly and work does not pile up too quickly; except the fact we have other classes and work. With this kind of method, we do not have to think so much; we just need to put it together and make it connect and flow through together.

Having time throughout the course to find the literature is very helpful. Yes, I am satisfied with the sources I have found. Some problems I have found while searching for literature sources was looking for academic ones; the local newspaper don’t have much news on the endangered animals. The source that was most helpful to me was reaching out to the experts.

I found the PowerPoint, web-documents and sites to read the most helpful source that help me learn about academic writing. I found the book, the least helpful since I learn better visually.

I think I have only achieved some skills in writing essays, summaries, etc. I believe I will be able to use these skills when I need to write a process paper or even a persuasive essay. My future career and goal is to become an Information Technology in Computers. I can use the skills I have learned when I need to write steps (process) about installing a program into a new computer.

I believe I still need a lot of work with my writing skills. I hope to develop my writing skills in how to use the APA format. I know I need more time to learn about APA.

Yes, I think learning how to analyze and to support the information you have gathered will be a skill that I can use in the future. Having the skill to analyze and support the information you have gathered shows you think outside the box and knowing how to support data shows you know how to look for back up and firmly voice out what you want to convey.

If I was told to do a primary research on ITs, I believe I can do it because primary research is a type of method to answer specific issues. This includes what I have learned about; doing surveys, interviews, or test. I want to learn as much as there is. I see myself doing a research on how I can build a small device that projects a hologram of a keyboard that is portable and can be use of course.

My strengths on the research project is that I have received a lot of feedback from the experts I have emailed. The weakness I have to work on is time management. Having so much classes and work at the same time, pulled me back a bit. Organizing and scheduling ahead is an area I need more work on.

I feel my research paper needs more work, but I know I did my best in trying to deliver what I want to tell people about the endangered animals here in the CNMI.