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Restrictions That Prevent You From Improving

Sometimes, people find it hard to improve themselves, because of all the restrictions

either from the environment or other human beings act as a brake that stops them from

reaching what they want to do or who they want to be. What people may not notice is that a

lot of times, they are who sets up a big curb for themselves when they close their eyes and

ears to mistakes they made in the past. Acknowledging and admitting mistakes is the first

step to forming changes. Then, people can gradually make progress on completing the puzzle

called themselves. When you listen and accept constructive suggestions from other people,

you give yourself a chance to be liberated. With the freedom of being better, you are one step

closer to the real version of yourself. The following paragraph comes from my Project III,

which teaches my audience how to make their crush hate them. It is one of the examples

demonstrating how I make changes after finding different problems in each draft and how I

get to my final submission draft version. I use three different colors to highlight the changes I made after the working thesis draft. The mark key shows below:

---- what is new in the editing draft

---- what is new in the final submission draft

---- what is different from the previous draft

Working Thesis Draft:

The third step is to make sure you get compliments from your crush's family members when your crush couldn't. Nath always dreams about getting approval from his family members especially his father. However, his father does not pay attention to Nath for most of the time except the time when James criticizes Nath for being socially awkward. Imagine that your parents always praise someone you dislike and compare that person's advantage to your disadvantage, would you hate him more? The answer is, of course. After James figures out Jack's awesome swimming skill, he judges Nath more and more. At the same time, the aversion of Nath towards Jack gets deeper and deeper.

For my working thesis draft, I only focused on illustrating the specific story that happened between Jack and Nath. I used this critical scene to be my third step on how to make people's crush hate them, because the family factor impacts Nath a lot especially his relationship with his father, James. I only provided one sentence in my expanded example, because, at that point, I did not know whether I should include more explanations in a general form.

Editing Draft:

The last step is to make sure you get compliments from your crush's family members when your crush can't. Nath always dreams about getting approval from his family members, especially his father, James. However, his father doesn't pay attention to Nath for most of the time except when James criticizes him for being socially awkward. Imagine that your parents always praise someone you dislike and compare that person's advantages to your disadvantages, wouldn't you hate him? The answer is, of course. Personally, when my mom constantly compare my friend who has better grade and myself, envy and resentment towards my innocent friend starts to grow fast inside of me. If your crush already disliked you, the last

step would do good. After James figures out Jack's awesome swimming skill, he judges Nath more and more. At the same time, the aversion of Nath towards Jack gets deeper and deeper.

After I had my one-on-one conference meeting with Dr. Bray, she pointed out my problem which is insufficient general statements for the process. Everything I wrote couldn't stand alone without relying upon the understanding of the book context. She suggested that I write something for the audience who never read this book but still can comprehend my process. Thus, I added a personal thought or example in the middle to describe a situation that is more relatable to most people. Also, I decided to change the order of this process from step three to step four, which is the last step. It makes sense for people to get close to their crush's family first, and then get compliments from the family members. Also, it might be hard to tell, but I made changes on small details such as the tense of the verb "can" and the use of punctuation. I believe all aspects matter when I try to perfect my work and reach the standard of Presentation and Design.

Final Submission Draft:

The last step of becoming the most annoying person to your crush is to make sure you get compliments from your crush's family members when your crush couldn't. Nath always

dreams about getting approval from his family members, especially his father, James.

However, James doesn't pay attention to Nath for most of the time except when he criticizes

Nath for being socially awkward. Imagine that your parents always praise someone you

dislike and compare that person's advantages to your disadvantages; wouldn't you hate him?

The answer is: of course. After James finds out Jack's awesome swimming skill, he judges

Nath more and more. At the same time, the aversion of Nath towards Jack gets deeper and

deeper. Personally, when my mom constantly compares me and my friend who has better

grades, envy and resentment towards my innocent friend grow wildly inside my heart. If your

crush already hates you and suspects you to only do bad things, the fourth step works as the

last check for them to confirm that you are the worst human being on the earth.

I read my paragraph aloud multiple times and tried to detect any place where I need

more details or more explanations. I spotted both my beginning and ending in this paragraph

is not good enough. In my topic sentence, I didn't explain the purpose of this step. In other

words, this topic sentence is incomplete and it can confuse the audience. Therefore, I added

details and explained that this step is supposed to make people's crush hate them. For my

ending, I added a general concluding sentence to wrap up the impact of this step. Ending a

paragraph with an example is inefficient.