

### Self-assessment

When I first started this class I was somewhat worried, I didn't know what to expect but I knew that I wanted to challenge myself. I had set a certain goal for this semester and it was to improve my writing by expanding my vocabulary and experimenting with words that wouldn't normally use. I wanted to step out of my comfort zone and try something new, I will say that I was worried I would choose the wrong word or It wouldn't come out as I wanted it to, so often I did back out but I want to continue this goal and better it. In this term, I learned the importance of the audience to whom I'm writing too and learned with Ethos, Pathos, and Logos. Each had a different appeal that I had to look out for and include in my writing, and that was put to the test with the first essay called "Spanglish". My writing piece included a story about me and how I was always ashamed to speak up because I was never really fluent in either English or Spanish, my intended audience was people who feel embarrassed because they always have to switch up in between the two, I wanted them to feel a connection or say they could relate to it in some way that would be pathos. Along with keeping in mind my audience, I had to work with MLA format which was completely new to me and gave me some trouble but in the end, it's important to tell a story in order and keep structure and organization otherwise it will be a confusing experience. That was my Ethos and Logos because my organization had some faults I couldn't get my message across clearly. I found this gave me a bit of trouble because throughout my high school experience we would just read from a text and revise, we never worked with telling a story about ourselves or our experiences, everything was based on a book or a reading. I found that the bibliography we did was much like what I was used too and it was by far my favorite to work on, from gathering information down to picking a topic I was passionate about. I worked with different genres for the final Multimodal creative project and made my original piece into an article and a drawing that represents the situation we are in at the moment. I stated at the

beginning of the semester that I enjoy writing, but it's not my strongest subject so almost every written piece I wrote this semester was new to me and I was very scared to mess up in my writing leading me to think it was not good enough. Though I got through those intrusive thoughts I was overall very proud of my progress and I will continue with the same goal I had at the beginning of this semester which was to continue stepping out of my comfort zone and use "bigger words" to make my writing sound more competent.