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## **Reflection Essay**

Throughout this course, I have learned how to improve my writing with these three concepts, The Modern Languages Association style of documenting references, the importance of managing the writing process, and reflecting on writing and reading. Within this essay, I'll be going over how these three concepts have helped my writing skills improve.

The first concept that had helped me improve greatly, was the importance of managing the writing process. Before taking this course, I would write my essays with little to no preparation and only gave myself the night before or day of to write. I believed I could write effortlessly without doing much research on the topic. However, I learned that to properly understand the topic and write a strong paper to support the topic, I needed to give myself more time to do the proper research.

Along with managing my writing process, reflecting on my writing and reading was crucial to improving my writing. It helped me identify my weak points and increased my critical thinking. Before this course, I felt as if my writing lacked in many areas but was unsure which sections needed improvement. After learning how to reflect on my writing properly, I have been able to identify my weak points and think more critically during my writing process.

Before this course, I didn't know what the Modern Languages Association, also known as MLA, style writing and referencing was. This course has helped me understand the MLA

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layout and now I feel as if my writing looks more professional, including my referencing and citing page.

Therefore, these three concepts have improved my writing greatly. Along with helping me improve my weak points, I now feel as if my assignments look more professional. These concepts have improved the structure of my writing and overall have left me feeling confident in my writing.