

September 20 Research for background

Research to write my paper was painful to get. With all the sites that gave me that information didnt work. But putting the time and effort and sweat I got the info I needed. I met with Ms.Holder she gave three people to read about. I wanted to cry though the process but we needed background information. At the end we got some info we needed but I wasn't going to stop there. Throughout the whole thing of finding research I'm seeing that this is going to be a pain in my ass.

9/29 Worked with Ms. Holder for sources

This was quick and yet slow at the same time. Me and Ms. Holder and a good and fun time finding sources. We found stuff on three American poets that will be going in the paper very soon. Also I showed Ms.Holder a book I found about Ezra Pound and Japan.we talked about how she was excited about me doing something about poetry and was happy she said that. This whole meeting got me excited to do this project again. At this point I'm ready to get my pen, paper and ready and study for this project.

Oct 4 The Panel

I was scared and angsty but I knew I had to get it done. At home I was struggling with my speech and my coulths. I didn't know what to wear, it was raining, and I had no ride. It was a sucky day while i'm walking to school. I tried keeping myself calm thinking about my friends and the family I made. They supported me. When I was in the building I started going over my notes in the halls and trying my best to burn these notes in my head. Then it was my turn and dammit i was 6 mins late i freaked out over that, i went in i sat down and started to explain. I got one sentence in and then poof gone! All my notes in my head, gone! They started to ask me questions and give me advice and I was getting none of it in my head. All i could do was nod my head and say yes here and there the meeting ended and i passed but by a hair i passed.

Oct 6 The Mentor

There have been problems here and there with finding a Mentor for my project. But I think we finally got something at this time. Me and a team that is helping me will be contacting Kara, a teacher here at RU. We plan to ask help for a Mentor in either UVM Champlain College or South Burlington High School since they do some Japanese classes. It's weird not having a Mentor this far into a project. To be fair at first I felt like not only me but other people don't really need a Mentor.

10/7 Work with Richard on thesis

Me and Richhard got a thesis going for the project. It's going well... for now... I don't know what or how the whole thing is going to play out but I'm ready to work and I'm ready for the pain. Getting the thesis was both triending and funny. I could stop making jokes the whole time... It was a slow day and I just want to go back to bed. Now thankfully I had my friends and teachers to help me keep focus. At the end we found the common literary term to make the thesis.

10/8 Worked on paper

This is a bitch... I feel like my eyes and hands are going to fall off. The only thing keeping me sane is the occasional random facts I learn by sharing and telling stories from my past. But the papers look good and we're going to keep on working. I'm realizing during these updates that I'm writing, you are seeing that I'm not holding back with saying something like "Bitch or Ass" that is because of two reasons. One I want this paper to be as real as me, to show that not only the poems don't hold back so neither will i. Two I was in pain and there were some moments where I wanted to give up and leave it behind so I believe I have the right to write what I did and how I felt doing it. I could be wrong or right. I honestly do not care.

10/15 More research

I'm back in hell again and this time it is not as nice as I knew it, the brimstone isn't the same as it used to be and all the IMPs are running everywhere. More sites, more pain and a lot more begging for this to end, and yet sadly I can't end it. I realized I needed more info on this paper like me, poets and poem examples both Japanese and american. Before you ask yourself I told myself time and time again that this project I picked is and will always be a pain in my rear end.

12/15 My Hands Hurt

Doing revisions for this project is a pain. I do still wish I could either go back and do something else or maybe beg and beg to just do 30 Hours of free labor like most people did. But hey. I'm still moving and I'm still writing, more and more fixing sentences turning 2nd person statements into 1st person statements. This is a pain in my ass but I don't care, it's what I have to do and sometimes in life you just have to suck it up and get it done. the paper looks good so far I still need to make a connection to the japanese style of poetry and the the three american poets. Right now as I'm writing this I can feel hands wanting to stop writing this and go back to my book or anything. Right now at this moment I wish I was doing anything else.

1/18 Panel Meeting

After going to work for about 2 hour a quickly got back home to start my meeting. I shockingly made it on time... the meeting itself went well, we talked about my product for my project and a plan to go along

with it. Throughout the entire meeting I kept on thinking about how I really just screwed myself over with picking this project. I should have picked something easier because I really don't know how much more of my insanity is going to be lost... more than it already is.

1/19 Tevy Meeting

Waiting an hour after lunch for the meeting with Tevy Kelman was not fun... I wish I had more to say but I did what I did and I'm thankful for what Mr. Kelman gave me ideas for more paragraphs. We talked about having in the outline a few other types of Japanese Haiku and there are a few that could and will help out with the project. Going through the meeting he left me some starter up for poem ideas for me to also write for the product. They are just some simple words like Poison or A New Day, words or phrases to help get my head going with making the poems. All and all this meeting was helpful in more ways than one and if you Mr. Kelman is reading this. I thank you for the meeting and your help.

1/24 Meeting With Mentor

Yes Finally!!! After months and months of missing meetings we finally got one. I was so excited for new opinions about my writing and checking in with my Mentor and telling her just how much progress i've made on this project. As i am writing this i read all the comments she gave me on my outline paper and time sheet, she was impressed it seems. Throughout this project I've been being myself up but this is the boost of confidence I needed to get more work in. I am thankful for this meeting and the people who helped make it happen.

1/24 Feedback

Having feedback on this Venting Paper as I like to call it is a bit odd... personally i don't think that's really necessary but the school does what it wants i guess. As Long as it's not like the person given feedback on this isnt like " OHHH this is haft wrong im make you redo on what your writing on how you feel about this project." Forcing you look through all of what you thought was what you thought was right. I know that's learning but it's still a pain in the ass especially when you're someone like me who has his note in the beginning randomly everywhere, But feedback is feedback. I am grateful for what I get for help to move on from the past and look forward to the future.

1/25 Reading 1

There are going to be a lot of these entries... I like reading... kinda... I wanna say that right now because I will explain this later on in this Vent. I like reading but only a certain type of reading. I'm a simple guy who loves Anime/ Gaming/ Voice Action. You talk with me about any of those subjects you are going to be stuck with me talking for about an hour. I'm a nerd, I know this and I am proud of this. That said, I don't like reading poetry books... Ironic seeing that my senior project is about poetry, I don't

like documentary books, history books or poetry books. There are really only 2 types of books I like, Comics and Manga. Manga is the main one I read and you see that's the problem. With other books you read left to right with manga you read right to left. My head thinks it is more normal to read right to left then left to right! So throughout reading this book that my Mentor gave me I am constantly trying to correct myself. This is both annoying and funny at the same time and I love it! Note that I am writing all of this and I am only two and a half pages in the book, and don't worry I am taking notes for example to write about in my paper and things to talk about in my next meeting with my Mentor. So to sum this whole thing up. I hate reading other books, I mainly like Manga and reading this book is Funny, Annoying and still such a pain in my ass. Oh. note this as well, this is most likely the biggest Vent on this paper I will ever write.

1/28 Citing

♪Oh this shit is breaking my back. I feel like such a hack. Using NoodleTools makes me feel like I lose.♪ Oh this is such a pain... Citing on some websites is easy but seeing how it was a pain just to see these cites, of course it wouldn't be easy to cite them. This isn't the worst part of the project but it's up there. Im just keep telling myself. "Don't lose it, Don't lose it." Over and over again, even though I tried making a small song at the beginning of this Vent!?! I swear this whole project is bringing both the bad and good side of me.

4/14 Recap

Hi. It's been awhile going to be honest i forgot all about this venting paper. So a few things happened in the past 3 months. First thing to say is no more research which i'm so happy about. I'm writing poetry about both Haiku and non Haiku of the product. I don't remember if I told you about the product, so I'll give you a quick summary of what it is. I made a poetry book last year all by hand, I am now adding new poems to it and making the book look a little nicer. Not much else for now, I'm just cleaning up everything.