

# Writing Test Samples

## L1

My name is XX. have worked here for 6 years. I will take charge of audit of your company. Nice to meet you. This e-mail is the first contact of us, I want to set up a meeting to know each other. So Please let me know when you can attend the meeting. How about 12 Feb or 14 Feb? And Where do you hope to take place? Please ascertain the agenda of meeting, I plan to information of your company, schedule of audit. Regard

## L1+

Eugenio Maria de Hostos was a puerto Rican Professor for about 20 years, providing his knowledges to all his students and colleagues. He was leaving in Puerto Rico his first 25 years and he moved to Dominican Republic where He work for about 10 year in a very important University there. After this times he came to United States and worked in different schools and universities. Ending his years working in a library Located in New York city. After he died He donate his money and knowledges to New York and New Jersey school system. Actually, a new school is open on Union City, Kennedy Boulevard and named it with his name, "Board of Education, Eugenio Maria de Hostos, Early childhood School." They decide to gave this honor to this man for the Puerto Rican community contribution.

## L2

I'm going to write about adopting the U.S. Constitution. Delegates from thirteen states met in the summer of 1787 to discuss the creation of a Constitution. There was the anti-federalist which were against it and the federalist which were for it. The anti federalist wanted the constitution to adopt the Bill of Rights. The federalists did not want to because they thought the Constitution already protect its citizens. After a long hot summer in Philadelphia, both groups reach an agreement to include the Bill of Rights.

This event ushered in a new nation with a plan in hand call the Constitution and the Bill of Rights which specified the rights of its citizens. This rights are freedom of speech, religion, press, petition etc. famous men like Washington, Jefferson, Madison etc took part in this glorious event. If they did not agree to have a Constitution, we would not have a united nation right now. Thanks to their efforts, we do.

## L2+

Yesterday, Tuesday, November 15th, 2005, the fans of the Spanish singer Alejandro Sanz, were able to see and hear his idol in person at the Radio City Music Hall in New York City. The tickets were sold out a month ago, and the performance of Alejandro Sanz was superior. As usual, Alejandro sang his most popular songs such as "El Alma al Aire" ("The Soul in the Air"), "Mi Soledad y Yo" ("My Loneliness and I"), "Heroe" ("Heroe"), and more.

The concert started on time at 8pm and finished at 11pm. Three excellent hours of an outstanding performance, Sanz, gave to his fans from all over the world. The adrenaline of the fans was high with the romantic voice of the singer. Also, there were some lucky ones who were able to hold hands with their idol, and show their affection by giving to their favorite singer some gifts, such as flowers, teddy bears, chocolate boxes, etc. Furthermore, the price of the tickets were from \$85.00 to \$300.00, and all the tickets were sold out a month ago. There is not doubt the Alejandro Sanz has won his fans' heart. Personally, I believe that Alejandro Sanz is an excellent singer and his sense of humor, his personality, his passion for believing in the true love, makes him a unique singer.

Finally, if Alejandro Sanz's fans would not be able to show up to the concert, I am pretty sure that they would be watching the concert at home in their T.V. However, all of his fans took the time and paid to go and see in person our dear and beloved Alejandro Sanz.

### L3

Many teachers have been complaining about our current student population. The implication is that they do not possess the same values as students of past generations. Some complain that the students do not appear to have the level of respect for those in authority that was once so evident in the schools and the community. Teachers are frustrated as students seem to place a higher value on play than their education.

Years ago this community was homogeneous. In most cases at least one parent or a grandparent stayed at home so that there was supervision of the students at all times. In today's environment, the parents, largely new immigrants, find it necessary to work two jobs each and do not have the support network of close family members in the vicinity. The alienation that the newly arrived parents feel as they work in environments that are not pleasant combined with long hours causes them to arrive home feeling besieged on most days. Under these circumstances the young parents are frustrated and confused as they listen to their children speaking the English that is taught to them in schools. Despite having brought their children to this country for a better life they wonder if so much sacrifice is worth what is happening to their families before their eyes. They silently wonder why the American dream seems so far away while they are working fifteen hour days, six days a week.

In today's diverse community everyone needs to understand the immigrants' point of view as well as be sensitive to the cultural perceptions of other groups to reduce stereotyping and frustration. With this end in mind a regular meeting to discuss points of view and preconceived notions among community members with translators for each of the seven languages that are prevalent would no doubt add much to the understanding of our neighbors' and teachers' viewpoints.

Today's teachers need to be culturally sensitive as well as supportive as students struggle to take their place in American society. While this newest wave of immigrants may seem so unusual, it needs to be remembered that just a generation or two ago our grandparents entered into this new world during a far simpler time. They entered a world where neighbors had the inclination and made the time to look after one another. A regularly scheduled discussion overtime would serve to address people's fears and preconceptions and allow for the building of understanding and compassion. We all need to remember that a long time ago our founding fathers were foreigners.