

MEMORANDUM

TO: Professor Rodwell FROM: Anthony Cuzo DATE: March 11, 2023

SUBJECT: ENGL 21007 Product Review Essay

This memorandum reflects my Technical Description submitted on blackboard on April 3, 2023. The memorandum that follows reflects the process of writing the Technical Description and where I can improve on, and what to expect in the future.

During the process of writing the Technical Description there were many moments of confusion and doubt on what I'm doing, if I was writing the Technical Description correctly, and if my description reached professional level standards. When it came time to pick an item to write about, I felt confusion in what I should pick since I did not want to pick anything too difficult that would reach 20+ pages, and at the same time I did not want to pick an object that as too simplistic. First, I chose a toaster, however this changed to the Draw Something Party Game by Zynga and Hasbro since the toaster had about 10 parts excluding the inner workings of the toaster. In comparison to the Draw Something Party Game, the toaster was too complex since the party game had 11 parts and 11 subparts. After getting my item approved, I had to write an outline based on the background and what I found when I took the game apart. Although it was research and manual labor, I found difficulty in what I should and should not include in the outline. Fortunately, I got a lot of feedback in my peer group and from Professor Rodwell. From here I added and took out some parts that were necessary and unnecessary. Although I had a solid outline to copy from, I re-wrote the entire thing and reorganized the Technical Description to reach high level standards.

I can improve on what item I choose to pick since I did not do much research on the game prior to getting my item approved. This led to difficulty in the research and background section of the Technical Description. I can also improve on my organization outside of the description. For example, while writing the Technical Description I had a total of 4 pages of unorganized notes. If these notes can be better organized my future descriptions will not be difficult to write since everything will be in sections and all that is left to do is translate my notes into proper sentences. I can also improve on the organization of the actual description outside of my notes since the description is full of necessary details that are needed to complete the Technical Description. A proper organization would make my description easier to follow.

Overall, practice is needed to be able to write proper professional level technical descriptions, and for my first technical description will not be the best, like all things new, it takes time, effort, and practice to master writing technical descriptions. I look forward to getting more organized with my technical descriptions in my future as I practice this skill more often.

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