

At the beginning of this semester, my understanding of grammar and usage was more based on instinct than intention. I could usually tell when something sounded “off,” but I didn’t always know how to fix it or explain why it was incorrect. My writing sometimes had run on sentence, or inconsistent tone, especially when I was trying to get my ideas down quickly. I also didn’t think much about how different language choices could impact the meaning of my writing.

Currently, I can see growth in my grammar. One of the biggest ways I’ve improved is by reading more since starting this class. Being exposed to stronger, more polished writing has helped me recognize correct sentence structure, punctuation, and flow more naturally. Along with that, peer review journals have played a big role in my development. Reading classmates work in this class and others along with receiving feedback on my own has helped me notice patterns in my writing, such as areas where I need clearer organization. I’ve become more aware of how grammar choices affect clarity and how revising my work can strengthen my overall message.