

Students' Composing

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About the e-book

This e-book is about the writings from students, with different themes and ideas. All produced in English classes and home works.

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by: Elias Santos

From an early age, I dreamed of having a number of very peculiar professions, I've imagined myself being an astronaut, an astronomer, or even a priest, but I really felt in love with biotechnology, not only because of the salary but for its productive end. Helping the world by modifying biological agents to create antiviral or antibiotics is of utmost importance, even more so for the uncertain future of mankind. Of course, to achieve this dream requires a lot of effort and dedication, plus the broad knowledge of various areas that cover this profession. But a dream does not come from one day to the next; one must struggle to conquer it.

First Work - Ideal Job

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by: Ana Karoline da Silva

My ideal job would be to work in a clinic, as a doctor specializing in the part of cardiology. I would go before my patients in a doctor's office, usually by appointment and individually, listening to the patient's complaints, talking, asking several questions and asking for tests to investigate what is wrong. The work would consist of diagnosing the problem, illness and prescribing a treatment, which may be drug-based, lifestyle changes or even a surgical intervention. It is quite probable that I will decide to be a doctor first because it is a child's dream and especially to help the next in his difficult moments. To get the job and the specialty that I have, I have to study a lot, so if you want anything in life, you have to study and work hard, do many college entrance exams and courses to get where you want to go. I believe that in this specialty there are positive and negative points, in fact for everything it exists.

But for me, the positive points are the ability to help others, to relieve the pain of a patient, to give comfort to the patient and his family, to receive the trust of the other, to receive the affection and hope of the other, to exercise their solidarity, besides not having problem of lack of employment. Already the negative points are a lot of you and others, little time for leisure and family, giving up personal life, a lot of work, a lot of dedication and a lot of responsibility.



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by: Flavianne de Asis

When I was a child, my dream was my dream job. I wanted to be a NASA astronaut, all because my dad bought a book that once told of Aliens, secret missions, and the American space agency.

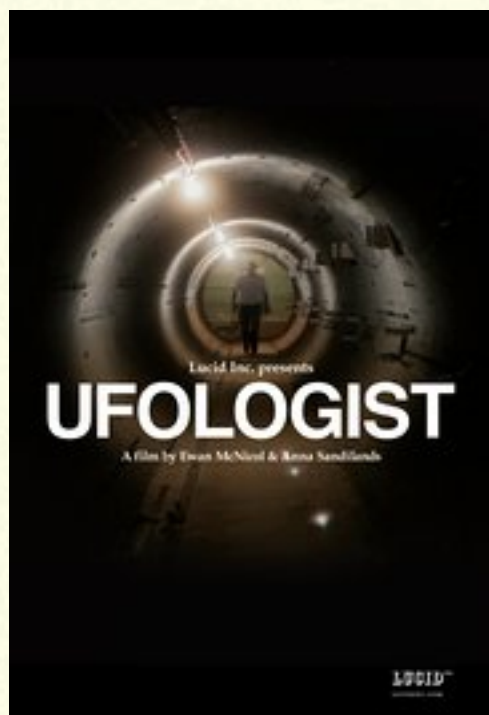
When I was 13 I became obsessed with ufology (it is the set of subjects and activities associated with the interest in unidentified flying objects, that is, extraterrestrials). And reading several books, watching UFO documentaries was my favorite pastime.

So early I wanted to be an ufologist, I said to my mother and my uncles and laughed. Everyone said, "Ets do not exist." "Why do not you become a doctor or a journalist?" , I believe that in all the greatness of our universe we can not be hypocrites and think that we are the only living beings that exist.

When I told you about my ideal job, they laughed at me, you're probably reading you may be laughing now and I think I'm crazy. Yes, you're right. I wanted to be many things, for being temporarily thrilled with various subjects. But as my friend told me "You can not be several things at once." I still have at least 2 years to choose my future and I still do not know where to start thinking about my profession. I'm not good at sports or gear, nor are they accurate. I've never been able to fit in or identify with anything. All my attempts are always failures. By my condition and my tastes I want to make sure that I will choose a good future for myself and the people around me. My ideal job is something that I am good at which I am happy to do and that gives me the recognition and change that I have always hoped for.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
CALL
THE UFOLOGIST**



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by: Beatriz Aimeé

I'm on my first year of high school and I still don't know what I want to do, when I finish High School. I guess I just want a job that give me enough Money to feel comfortable.

Something that cathed my attention for a long time was the possibility of me be a legist doctor. Work with dead people don't seem to be creepy to me. It's better than work with living people. I think is interesting. That fact that I could know what caused the person's death, the amazing salary and work with the human body in general, just make me want to do that as a job.

But unfortunaly, I'll not choose to be a legist doctor, since my hands shake too much, Also, medical science is difficult to pass in Brazil, because of the quantity of people that want to be a doctor.

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by: Camila Ribeiro

The ideal job for me is related to science. It arose from the need to explain natural phenomena rationally, without using faith as a reason for things. The reason for things is something that fascinates me since I was little. What child has never dreamed of being an astronaut to find out if the moon is made of cheese or not? The problem is that scientists in Brazil are not as valued as they should be. The funds available to laboratories and research centers have been diverted to the pockets of politicians. The good thing about the profession is that there is always something new to discover, be it a vaccine, a species or even a planet. I have to study hard enough to pursue this career, and despite all the challenges, it continues to be my goal.

Second Work - An awful visit to a restaurant

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by: Iana Coutinho

Some day, my parents and I decided to go to some restaurant. We were very hungry and decided to order a barbecue with several complements. The order took a long time. My parents and I were very stressed. After waited for almost an hour, lunch arrived. I got nervous, because I was so hungry I wanted the food just for me. So far so good, everyone started to serve themselves, when it was my turn, I picked up the rice and noticed something different inside, something dark that was moving. I pay attention and realized it was a cockroach, my parents and I were scared and disgusted. My parents called the clerk, asked to call the manager, because it has to report it. It was a mess with vomits and scared people.

At the end, the restaurant was closed and after one year, another restaurant opened, a Korean restaurant. I think it will be normal to find a cockroach there now.



Second Work - An awful visit to a restaurant

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by: Hevellyn Fernandes

So...this history is literally funny. I was at a worse restaurant (Pizza's good) of this city on sunday, with some friends. First there wasn't someone to attend us. But finally one girl came. She's was so rude, and to add insult to injury we wanna pizza and she's say: "we don't have pizza" Ok sis, what kind of restaurant doesn't have pizza and the name is Pizza's good?" anyway, we decided that only juice was good.

The juice makes me really unhappy, seriously that was officially the worst juice I've ever drunk in my life. My friends grimaced at the bitter taste. We ran out of there (before pay the bill). If you guys loveyoursleves don't go to that restaurant, because it's REALLY BAD!

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by: John Kinderman

There was a time that I went to this roadside restaurant in Venezuela, at first it seemed very cozy and the food was apparently good. So, me and my mother went straight to a table and we ordered some fried chicken, rice and a portion of chips. When the food arrive we were starving, but the chicken was very tiny, the chips were soggy and they weren't crispy at all, the rice was just like pudding.



We complained with the cashier and she said that it wasn't her business and we needed to pay even though our food was disgusting. We didn't eat any of that food and we went to this Mc Donalds that was on the mall.

Third Work - Email to a friend

N9

by: Layze Martins

Hi friend, how are you doing? It's Layze from Dom Bosco, remember? I was remembering our escapes for parties and I died of longing. So, after you leave school I came to New York study English, do you believe? Everything happened very fast and I did not tell anyone. It's simply WONDERFUL here, and my course, even more so. My teacher is Keiti Maciel. She is super agitated, she leaves the classes more dynamic and she helped me a lot on my difficulties. Remember that the only subject that I took bad grades was English? I never knew the meaning of words, and nowadays I can understand almost everything.

I can even sing some songs but not the funks. It's 3 hours of class every day and there are people everywhere.

I met my boyfriend there, he's from Rio de Janeiro and I have friends from Beliza, México, Amsterdã, among others. We always take walks and I really like the classes. You miss a lot, especially the parties (hahaha). I barely have time to hang out here because the course is very strict and now I'm a married girl. How is everything there? And the boys? You should visit me and make an exchange course. I totally recommend it. The teacher teaches very well and made me love English. Tell me everything! I'm dying of longing. Kisses from the most beautiful friend, Layze ♥



Third Work - Email to a friend

N9

by: Suzanne de Moraes

Hi, James, how are things going? I hope everything is fine. Well, the last time we were hanging out, you asked me to write an email telling you about the English course that I'm taking here in San Francisco. There are many things to tell you. First off all, San Francisco is amazing, it is one of the cities that most well represent the USA soul. San Francisco can be, at the same time, sophisticated and casual, liberal and familiar. It is formed 50% by foreigners and shows a great slogan: Respect to the differences. The first thing I saw were the wonderful landscapes, they are indescribable. There are surprises everywhere and there's always something fun and interesting to do. My school stays in the centre of the city, it's very organized and creative. The teachers are formal and elegant, they know how to master the subject they teach, that makes the students feel safer about understanding the material.

But the teachers are not just formal, they are funny and friendly too and they have great didactic. In my course, I have to study three hours every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, which is very effective. I really enjoy it because I feel getting better and better everyday. Some people say my English is almost like a native's one, this compliment makes me proud of my willpower, haha. I love learning languages and I think everyone is capable, since you have interest. My classroom is iconic, every person in there is unique and interesting. There are people from every continent, consequently, there is a mixture of cultures, languages, traditions, likes and tastes. That's why this experience will be remarkable forever for me, it's like knowing little parts of this fantastic world in just one classroom. There are probably 30 students in the classroom and my best friends are Noah, which is Australian, Heinrich, which is German and Zene, which is from Cape Town. In any language, you have to be able to speak, write, listen and read. Well, my favorite part is speaking, because I really like expressing my ideas, but it's extremely important to know the rest

My teachers say I'm fluent, but I still need to practice a little bit more of my grammar. Some friends of mine have issues and I really like helping them, especially with the pronunciation. Well, these are the news, and everything is going wonderfully good in my life. Hey, I'm going to have a holiday, I could pass on by and make you a visit, I would finally go to Arizona.

Take care, bye!

Suzane de Moraes.



Third Work - Email to a friend

N10

by: Vithor Moraes

Dear Ana, I'm writing to you from Dublin, Ireland. I'm doing an English course here. The course is wonderful with excellent lessons and expert teachers. Teachers have different teaching dynamics, but all try to encourage pronunciation. The course starts at 8 am and ends at noon. The best part is that I'm one block away from the house where I'm staying with my "adoptive family." So far, I have three colleagues of different nationalities: Mei (Japanese), Darwin (British) and Marco (Mexican). Each of them teaches me a little about their culture during the break. I am learning not only English, but also other languages. According to the teachers, my progress is satisfactory. They told me that I can understand a text, thanks to my knowledge in grammar. However, they ask me to train my pronunciation more. As I still have difficulty reading and understanding some words.

Over time, I'm getting better. Luckily, here's St. Patrick's Day. I know everyone knows about this beer festival, but it includes street theater, circus artists and Irish movie shows. Until I go back to Brazil, I'll be fluent.

Hugs,
Vithor.



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by: José Leonardo

Alex,

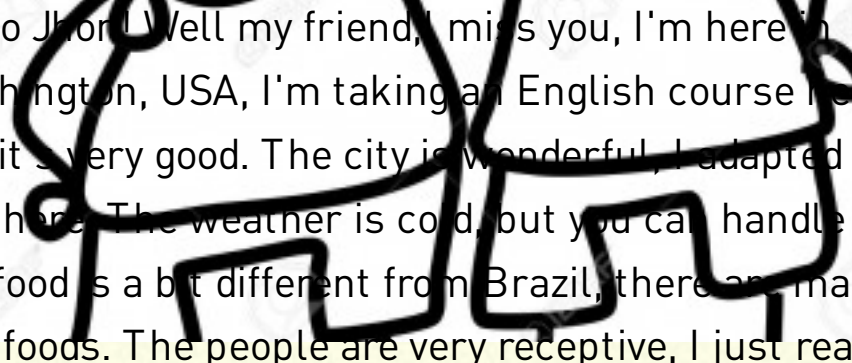
Hello my big friend, long time don't see you. I just passed to say that I'm very well here in England. I get a job as a McDonald's attendant, it is very nice, and they pay a lot. Some day if you want to come here, I will take care of you. Tell me what are you still doing in USA? How is my family? And friends? Tell everybody that I miss them all.

A thousand kisses from your friend Jose Leonardo :*

Third Work - Email to a friend

N12

by: Lucas F. Araújo



Hello John! Well my friend, I miss you, I'm here in Washington, USA, I'm taking an English course here and it's very good. The city is wonderful, I adapted very fast here. The weather is cold, but you can handle it, the food is a bit different from Brazil, there are many fast foods. The people are very receptive, I just really liked the city and the country. I hope you come here! It would be very important for me, you would have more work opportunities, with this course that I am doing. Soon I will send photos for you to see the structure of the course, to be more curious! I think I'm going to stay two more years here, by the time I'll finish the course and I'll get a job, but like I said, it would be easier with you here. So, my old friend, I'm waiting for you!

See you!

"Knowledge is the only thing we can take from this life and no one can take away from us."

Ana Beatriz

About the ORG

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