

# DSDT

## Writing Assignment

### Introduce Yourself in a Creative Way!

#### Objective:

Instead of the usual “Hi, my name is...” introductions, this assignment is about showing off your personality through creative writing. The goal is to help your classmates get to know the *real you*, not just your name and major.

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#### Instructions:

Write a short introduction (about **150–250 words**) where you tell us who you are, but do it in a way that’s fun, creative, and memorable. Don’t just make a boring list, find a unique angle!

You could...

- Tell your life like the opening scene of a novel.
  - Write about yourself as if you’re the main character in a movie, comic book, or video game.
  - Use **metaphors or comparisons** to describe yourself. (Example: *“If I were a drink, I’d be iced coffee, cold at first, but keeps you awake and buzzing all day.”*)
  - Make it playful, use humor, exaggeration, or even write it like a recipe, playlist, or horoscope.
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#### Examples:

- *“If my life were a video game, I’d probably still be stuck in the tutorial stage, constantly asking, ‘Wait, how do I sprint again?’ But at least I’ve leveled up in cooking ramen noodles and surviving all-nighters.”*
  - *“I’m like a cat: I love naps, I’m curious about everything, and I may look calm on the outside, but inside I’m probably plotting world domination... or just thinking about snacks.”*
  - *“If I were a season, I’d be autumn, calm, cozy, and happiest with a warm hoodie, a good book, and pumpkin-flavored everything.”*
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### Expectations:

- **Be original** – we don’t just want your name, age, and favorite color.
  - **Be clear** – even if you get creative, we should still learn something real about you.
  - **Have fun with it** – this isn’t a formal essay; think of it as storytelling.
  - **Length:** 150–250 words (about half a page).
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👉 **Pro tip:** If you’re stuck, try starting with:

- *“If my life were a...” (playlist, recipe, comic strip, road trip, etc.)*
- *“The first thing you should know about me is...”*
- *“I’m the kind of person who...”*

### Sample Creative Self-Introduction

If my life were a playlist, the first track would be “Running Late but Trying,” the second would be “Coffee Is My Superpower,” and the last would be “Probably Overthinking This.” I’m the kind of person who sets three alarms, ignores the first two, and then sprints out the door like it’s an Olympic sport.

I grew up loving stories, movies, even video games that let me step into someone else’s shoes. That’s probably why I’m majoring in English; I’m hoping to turn my love of words into a career where I get to create new worlds for others.

If I were an animal, I'd probably be a golden retriever: loyal, always hungry, and way too excited when people pay attention to me. I love trying new things, even if I'm terrible at them (looking at you, guitar lessons).

Right now, my hobbies include doodling in the margins of my notes, binge-watching sitcoms I've already seen three times, and pretending I know how to cook when it's really just pasta with whatever's in the fridge.

So, in short: I'm curious, a little clumsy, always learning, and probably thinking about my next snack. Nice to meet you all!

### **Funny Style – Sample Intro**

If my life were a movie, it would definitely be a comedy. Think of lots of awkward pauses, spilled drinks, and me waving at people who weren't actually waving at me. My catchphrase would be: "Wait, what?"

I'm basically fueled by pizza, memes, and sheer stubbornness. If I were a superhero, my power would be napping anywhere, anytime, planes, buses, even standing in line at Starbucks. My weakness? Group projects. (Don't worry, I'll still pull my weight.)

I love video games, especially ones where I can create chaos, like accidentally setting my character's house on fire in The Sims. I also enjoy sketching, though most of my drawings end up looking like confused potatoes.

So, if you ever need a study buddy who brings snacks, a bad pun, and a playlist full of 2000s pop hits, I'm your person. Nice to meet you, let's survive this semester together!

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### **Reflective Style – Sample Intro**

When people ask me who I am, I like to think of myself as a work in progress. If life is a book, I'm only in a few chapters, and the story is still being written.

I grew up moving around a lot, which taught me how to adapt and connect with new people quickly. It also made me appreciate the value of home, whether that's a place, a group of friends, or even a quiet corner with a good book.

If I were a season, I'd be spring: constantly growing, sometimes unpredictable, but always hopeful about what comes next. Writing is one of the ways I make sense of things, which is why I'm excited for this course, I see it as another step toward finding my voice.

Outside of class, you'll usually find me hiking, journaling, or exploring little coffee shops around the city. I'm not perfect (my to-do list could tell you that), but I'm learning every day, and I'm excited to learn alongside all of you.