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World Class Vacation

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World Class Vacation

Spain is one of the world's best vacation destinations. An interesting fact about Spain is Spaniards don't necessarily claim themselves as Europeans, as Spain is indeed geographically and culturally isolated from the rest of the continent. Including some of the world's best resorts and food that will blow you away.

As the history of Spain shows, the country of Spain is isolated from the rest of Europe, out of this came a country with its own separate culture. So even if you traveled around Europe, Spain won't look anything like the cities you've visited before. Inside the vast and illusion of Spain lies a nation erupting with history, heritage and culture. Charming, fun, and cultural all at once, it's got its own unique character and stylish flair. Whether you are a culture absorber, outdoor lover or a beach enjoyer, you always end up falling head over heels with Spain. And if that's still not enough to lure you, I'm sure the world-class cuisine and hypnotic sangria will.

Worldwide Spanish food is known for its unique taste that extends from region to region. Paella, jamón, and croquetas are widely enjoyed with sangria and Spanish wine. (Radetsky, 2013) Tapas lives on strongly, influenced in the south of Spain, and in the north, cities like San Sebastian offer pinchos that combine to be the best ingredients. (Radetsky, 2013) Trying your taste buds and your stomachs to the numerous delectable reasons to visit Spain. If eating is an art to you and uncovering new art is your thing, Spain is a great place to go to. "Home to more Michelin-star restaurants than anywhere else in the world, Spanish cuisine has won quite a reputation for itself in the culinary world." (Huang, 2010, para 5) Spain is known for its ubiquitous paella, a chicken dish that is to die for, – there are also bocadillo de jamón (cured ham sandwich) to the tantalizing pulpo a la gallega (Galician squid). One of Spain's famous dishes is Tapas, a dish that varies in ingredients from region to region.

This is an important thing to remember while planning a trip, wanting to go to a diverse place where every corner is unique. Every province of Spain is different from each other, and each one has its

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own breath-taking beauty. Whether you go to explore Galicia, the countryside of Basque, Catalonia or Andalusia, you'll always find the difference in culture. If you can, explore several regions in Spain and see what differences you notice. Spanish cultural traditions vary from the all so famous feisty flamenco dance and controversial bullfights, gaining so much fame for the country.(Radetsky, 2013) For the most authentic flamenco experience, head out to the genuine caves in Seville or the gypsy quarters of Granada. While animal-rights activists do not favor bullfights, they give you a glimpse into the world of Spanish traditions. Bullfighting is currently banned in Catalonia; while discussions for other states are underway. So experience this ancient tradition before it is banned for life. Other cultural traditions include the Sevillano dance, traditional Asturian bagpipe music and each city's feria.

A beautiful flamenco dancer is what you would see walking through the cities of Spain. This is highly publicized in popular culture; experiencing the art and passion that is Flamenco is a tourist must. Dancing and finding great music is another reason to Spain. In Madrid stands the Palacio Real. In Barcelona, a must see is the Sagrada Familia. Granada boasts the Alhambra, and the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela stands proud in its Galician town.(Radetsky, 2013) There is no short of Historical monuments and tourist attractions, another of the great reasons to visit Spain. "Summer festivals in Spain are colorful, thrilling and unlike no other." (Huang, 2010, para 7) The La Tomatina in Buñol for example – Spain's biggest food fight gets participants down and dirty in a messy tomato fight. Pamplona's San Fermin festival is celebrated in the form of bull runs along the city's main road. In September, castellers in Catalonia get together to form human pyramids up to ten mans' height! (Huang, 2010) These are just some teasers of Spanish festivals, there are many more throughout Spain that are worth looking out for.

Out of all of the many reason to visit Spain, people love to travel her to get a better feel for the language. "The people of Spain are very friendly and never hesitate to answer questions or give directions; sometimes they may even take it upon themselves to walk you all the way to your destination themselves!" (Radetsky, 2013, para 3) Sitting in a café you will find yourself having a great conversation

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with someone you don't even know, with the feeling you knew them for years. Spain is a great place to get lost in, and to practice its language, because you'll never be without a conversation partner or a kind soul to point you the right way.(Radetsky, 2013) Spanish past includes, Roman Empire to Muslim conquerors and the more recent Spanish civil war, Spain has had a colorful past. It is evident even in today's Spain: wandering the streets you can find many historical stories and architecture that can really grasp the past of Spain. "Cathedrals – especially the Catedral de Toledo – are testimonies of their religious past. Royal palaces such as the Palacio Real de Madrid adorn majestic architectural styles and intricate carvings.”(Huang, 2010, para 10)

It doesn't stop there with amazing beaches and unique cuisine. Outdoor enthusiasts can tell you of the great regions of beautiful landscape. In the Sierra Nevada mountain range, mountaineers can challenge themselves with the highest peak in all of Spain, Mulhacen (3482m). (Huang, 2010) All over Spain you can find World-Class Ski Resorts – most popular in the Pyrenees and Sierra Nevada. In Huelva and Cadiz, you can discover many snorkeling sites with clear visibility in summer. Water sports like surfing, kite boarding and kayaking are popular on the Canary Islands and the Balearics. (Huang, 2010)

With all this information I have given you I'm sure your thoughts are something along the lines of “when do we get the tickets?”. Spain, with its beautiful architecture, breathes taking landscapes, world-class resort, unique culture, and amazing food. Spain will be the best decision you have ever made planning a vacation destination.

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Mastery: Criteria 1-3, & 5 = Above Average to Excellent.

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Criteria	Excellent	Above Average	Minimal	Below Average	Incomplete	Score and Feedback
The Writing Process CLO1 (Mastery)	<input type="radio"/> 100 points Student was able to clearly apply elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 85 points Student was able to apply most elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 70 points Student was able to apply some elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 65 points Student was able to apply only a few elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Student was unable to apply elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	70 points I can see that you have attempted to edit this to reflect more of your own thought.
	<input type="radio"/> 100 points Excellent use of the rhetorical mode required for the assignment. Message is clear and easy to follow and follows the assignment instructions exactly.	<input type="radio"/> 85 points Good example of the required rhetorical mode for the assignment. Meets the majority of the writing style requirements, but may benefit from more varied vocabulary of additional details. Assignment instructions are followed.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 70 points The rhetorical mode is attempted but may be lacking direction, focus, detail or explanation and may not follow all assignment instructions as required.	<input type="radio"/> 65 points An attempt at the rhetorical mode of the assignment is made but fails to deliver the coherence or clarity of the assignment. Needs to more effectively define the specific writing style.	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Paper does not follow the assignment instructions for the rhetorical mode requirements.	
APA Format CLO4 (Mastery)	<input type="radio"/> 100 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are	<input type="radio"/> 85 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are	<input type="radio"/> 70 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 65 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are	<input type="radio"/> 0 points APA formatting is not correct and/or there are	65 points still too much lack of citing

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	100 points	85 points	70 points	65 points	0 points	
Information Literacy CLO5 (Mastery)	<p>followed at least 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a reference page in proper APA format. Needs no revision.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>followed at least 80% to 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a reference page in proper APA format. Requires little revision.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>followed at least 70% to 80% of the time. There are in-text citations and a reference page in proper APA format. Needs revision.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>followed less than 60% of the time. In-text citations and a reference page are included but APA format was not followed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/></p>	<p>no in-text citations or reference page. Plagiarism may or may not be detected. Please see your instructor for further instruction.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>65 points</p> <p>sources cited are weak, originality in paper is weak</p>
Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation, and Sentence Structure	<p>Essay follows effective research procedures completely, including proper use of electronic research environments.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Essay illustrates mostly effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Essay illustrates minimal use of effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/></p>	<p>Essay does not illustrate effective research procedures and needs significant improvement in use of electronic research environments.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>No proper research procedures followed.</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>70 points</p> <p>Please check sentence structure, some make very little sense.</p>
Overall Score	<p>Level 5 39 or more</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/></p>	<p>Level 4 31 or more</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Level 3 23 or more</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Level 2 15 or more</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Level 1 0 or more</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Score and Feedback</p> <p> 340 points</p>

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Student Work #2

Japan

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Abstract

Japan is known as the Land Of The Rising Sun, but it also should be known as the Land Of Beauty. Japan is a first world country with various places to take in and behold, from parks to gardens and shrines to palaces and many more things to look at in awe and be informed of the rich culture of the Japanese. Some places that are there do more than inform you of the culture, you feel like you are a part of it even. From displays in museums to small to huge open shrines that can take you to a journey. All of these things are briefly described in a short paper on some of these places. I emphasize short because a few volumes of books can be written to go into more informative detail for you.

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Japan

Japan is a country with many wonderful places to visit that are informative and historical and beautiful to see. There are great places which include local and religious sites like churches, temples and palaces and museums. All these places that are listed can be seen during a trip to the Land of the Rising Sun known as Japan.

A historical site in Tokyo or a place that celebrates part of Tokyo's history is called the Edo-Tokyo Museum. The museum reveals the history of Tokyo during the Edo period. "In an interactive environment, the visitors are able to experience and learn about many aspects of earlier Tokyo like the way of life during the Edo period, architecture, heritage, and climate. The museum also has miniature displays to show how towns were constructed."(Japan Guide, 2015) The Edo-Tokyo museum also has great picture taking opportunities with old vehicles previously used with guides that also speak in different languages and special exhibitions are held throughout the year with varying themes from Tokyo.

Another fantastic place to visit is a park called the Koshikawa Korakuen. It is Japan's oldest and most well-known places in it's country. It is more of a garden than a park. I have personally been to this place and it is beautiful. "This garden was built during the Edo Period around 1600-1867 at the Tokyo residence of the Mito branch of the Tokugawa family. The garden was named Korakuen after a poem encouraging a ruler to enjoy pleasure after achieving happiness for his people."(Japan Guide,2015). The garden looks to create famous landscapes in miniature forms like ponds, stones, trees, and man-made hills combining Japanese and Chinese scenery. The trails around the whole garden are shaped to get those visiting to view the gardens. The garden attracts a lot of visitors during the fall and winter seasons understandably so with the

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snowfall. It also looks very elegant during the plum and cherry blossom season during the months of February to April.

One last place that is significant to see is the Imperial Palace which is a castle/park area surrounded by moats. It is home to Japan's Imperial family. "Edo Castle used to be the seat of the Tokugawa Shogun who ruled Japan from 1603 until 1867. The shogunate in 1868 was overthrown and the country's capital and Imperial residence were removed from Kyoto to Tokyo."(Japan Guide, 2015). "Visitors can view the Nijubashi which is the two bridges that form an entrance to the inner palace grounds. Nijubashi actually means "Double Bridge". The inner grounds are only open to the public on January 2nd during the New Year's greeting and December 23rd which is the Emperor's birthday can visitors enter in and see the Imperial family."(Japan Guide,2015).

The different shrines around Japan are also places to visit because the Japanese people are very dedicated people when it comes to their religious practices. A reason for them having such great landscapes around their country is because it can be tied to their religious beliefs. This is why most take very great care of their plants and other greenery. One example is the Fushimi Inari Shrine, made in 711 A.D. It is one of the oldest and revered Shinto shrines in Japanese history. "It is home to 40,000 shrines dedicated to Inari across Japan. The shrine draws thousands of visitors like thousands of businessmen and tradespeople seeking blessings for their enterprises especially at the New Year first prayers."(Sacred Destinations,2002-2015). The shrine is most famous for having 10,000 small shrine gates called "Torii". The gates arch over a long path that is a two hour walk for the whole trail. It is recommended that you visit this shrine during dusk time because "you'll be much more likely to wander alone through the tunnels of Torii in the quiet woods, which is a magical experience as daylight fades."(Sacred Destinations, 2002-2015).

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Meiji Shrine, located in Tokyo that is near Harajuku Station is another destination that is recommended to see. This shrine is dedicated to the souls of Emperor Meiji and Empress Shoken, 1912 & 1914. It is considered the most important and popular Shinto shrine in Tokyo. It is home to many celebration events and ceremonies. Emperor Meiji was the first emperor of Modern Japan was key in helping Japan open up to the outside world. During his reign the capital of Japan was Kyoto but it was then switched to Tokyo. The shrine was constructed to supposedly contain or enshrine their souls and it was dedicated on November 1, 1920. “It is described as a peaceful oasis in the heart of modern Tokyo. Meiji Shrine is sheltered by a 700,000 square-meter forest of 120,000 evergreen trees that have been donated from all parts of Japan when the shrine was established.” (Sacred Destinations, 2002-2015). The shrine has two large areas which are the Inner Garden with the main shrine buildings; and the Outer Garden, with sports arenas and the Meiji Memorial Picture Gallery. The shrine gates are made of cypress wood that are more than 1,700 years old. When you are on foot the “common approach to take is over the bridge next to the Harakuji Station which can provide a look at the famous strange fashion styles of the teenagers.” (Sacred Destinations, 2002-2015). Japan, a beautiful place to explore different sites and be informed of their history. There are places like shrines and parks to view and walk around. You can also be informed by viewing museums and palaces all of these sites and even the sounds can be experienced on a trip to Japan, Land Of The Rising Sun.

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	<input type="radio"/> 100 points Excellent use of the rhetorical mode required for the assignment. Message is clear and easy to follow and follows the assignment instructions exactly.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 85 points Good example of the required rhetorical mode for the assignment. Meets the majority of the writing style requirements, but may benefit from more varied vocabulary of additional details. Assignment instructions are followed.	<input type="radio"/> 70 points The rhetorical mode is attempted but may be lacking direction, focus, detail or explanation and may not follow all assignment instructions as required.	<input type="radio"/> 65 points An attempt at the rhetorical mode of the assignment is made but fails to deliver the coherence or clarity of the assignment. Needs to more effectively define the specific writing style.	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Paper does not follow the assignment instructions for the rhetorical mode requirements.	
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Information Literacy CLO5 (Mastery)	Essay follows effective research procedures completely, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay illustrates mostly effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay illustrates minimal use of effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay does not illustrate effective research procedures and needs significant improvement in use of electronic research environments.	No proper research procedures followed.	no reference page
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
	100 points	85 points	70 points	65 points	0 points	
Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation, and Sentence Structure	No errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Only few errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Several errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Many errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure that distract from the content of the assignment.	Severe errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure that distract from the content of the assignment.	100 points
Overall Score	Level 5 39 or more	Level 4 31 or more	Level 3 23 or more	Level 2 15 or more	Level 1 0 or more	Score and Feedback
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	270 points

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Student Work #3

Italia's Monumental Impressiveness

Student Work #3

ENG. 122: Composition & Reading – Part B

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Italia's Monumental Impressiveness

Italy, also known as Italia to the men and women of the country, is a very magnificent and historically popular place to visit. Known for its very popular history, it is a country everyone should visit at least once to see all of the impressive monuments of the modern era, and of course, from the Roman times. All across the country there are eye-catching sites to see and experience. Northern Italy offers many well-known and beautiful cities that hold some of the most underrated places to see in all of Italy. Northern Italy is very modern and industrialized, but it still holds some traditional aspects. On the other hand, southern Italy is just as stunning and has very impressive cities as well. Southern Italy, while not as modern, has a lot of the traditional aspects to it still to this day. The islands of Italy are not to be forgotten. Countless beaches of beauty surround these islands and there are many of them around Italy. Whether it is to the north, south, or even on an island in Italy, there is no doubt about its many cities and wonders to go along with places to visit that will capture anyone's eye and give a long lasting memory of absolute beauty.

In the north, Venice is one of the most visited cities due to the amazing waterways, but also because it is home of Doge's Palace. Doge's Palace, historically, housed the Republic's administrative center, hall of justice, prison, public archive and senate house (The Doge's Palace, 2015). After Napoleon occupied Doge's Palace its role changed and is now a museum in which anyone can visit and see the jail where the infamous Giacomo Casanova was jailed. The Rialto Bridge is another popular place to see in Venice. Located in the center of the Grand Canal, The

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Rialto Bridge is considered to be the most beautiful bridge in all of Venice (Smith, 2015).

Rivaling Venice for popularity, The Leaning Tower of Pisa, located in the city of Pisa, is another historical place to visit in the northern part of Italy. The tower was meant to stand vertically but during construction it started to lean (The Leaning Tower of Pisa, 2015). “The Pisa tower is one of the four buildings that make up the cathedral complex in Pisa, Italy, called Campo dei Miracoli or Piazza dei Miracoli, which means Field of Miracles” (The Leaning Tower of Pisa, 2015). Now that it is opened to the public again it is one of the most visited places in all of Italy.

Milan is another city located in the northern part of Italy and is also a gorgeous place to experience. Milan is the second most populated city in Italy with at least 1.3 million people. Milan attracts a lot of designers, photographers, and other artists (About the city of Milan, 2015). Milan is considered to be a glamour city due to its high and extravagant buildings which could be the reason so many people want to visit the city. The Milan Cathedral is the most important church and it is the third largest in the entire world (About the city of Milan, 2015).

There are a number of lakes in the northern part of the country which include Lake Como and Lake Garda. The lakes both attract many people due to their beautiful landscape and, of course, the water. Bellagio is a famous town in Lake Como because its structures are reminiscent of the Medieval Times Era. Lake Garda is the largest lake in all of Italy and is just as majestic as Lake Como. Both these lakes were formed from glaciers during the Ice Age. There are many more cities and places to see and visit in northern Italy and it would be very hard for anyone to visit the entire region in a short amount of time.

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Southern Italy is the soul of the land. The region has a lot of agricultural aspects and it is very traditional. Southern Italy is surrounded by water. The Ionian and Adriatic Seas surround Southern Italy. The Tyrrhenian Sea also surrounds southern Italy on the western side of the country. There are a great amount of fantastic beaches which also include nude beaches. Italy's beaches can rival beaches in any part of the world.

Southern Italy is home of the great city of Rome. There are a vast amount of historical places in the city of Rome and one of them is the Coliseum. The Coliseum is the most popular tourist attraction in the world. In Roman Times, it was the largest Amphitheatre in the world and it was a free standing structure (Colosseum, 2015). During its use, the Coliseum was used for animal and gladiator fights, but over time those fights were looked down upon and it was not used anymore for that purpose. Natural disasters and lightning were the largest contributors to the Coliseum falling apart (Colosseum, 2015).

Another important and well known place in Rome is Vatican City also known as Vatican City State. Vatican City State is where the Pope presides and is the headquarters for the entire Roman Catholic Church. Vatican City State is a walled enclave inside the city of Rome and is an independent city state, the smallest in the world (A Brief History of the Vatican, 2015). Also in the Vatican State is St. Peter's Basilica, another place where people flock to worship. Until recently, St. Peter's Basilica was the largest of its kind in the world. These places are sacred places and very populated areas with many different kinds of people from all over the world. Other important and historical places to visit in Rome include the Catacombs of Rome, the

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Roman Forum, and the Pantheon. Every one of these places is a major historical and tourist attraction in Rome and helps make Rome one of the most visited cities in the world.

Naples is a city in the southern part of Italy that is well known for its pizza. In fact, Pizza was invented in Naples around 1860. Pizza is one of Italy's most eaten foods along with pasta. Naples is a popular city due to it being on the coast and it has large ports for commerce. Near Naples is the lost city of Pompeii. Pompeii was destroyed by Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. The city was covered completely in volcanic ash and although some survived by fleeing the city, most died instantly from hot gases burning their lungs (Bagley, 2013). Some people also died from suffocation. Still to this day people go to Pompeii to see the bodies of the people buried in the ash as they were preserved by it (Bagley, 2013). Like northern Italy, there are many other popular places to experience in southern Italy. There are many small and large towns that show the history of the region.

The islands of Italy; although not on the main land, are very important and desirable places to visit for many people. There is a lot of history involved with the islands of Italy and Sicily is the most popular. Sicily is just off the bottom tip of main land Italy and is surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea. Sicily is rich with history from all types of cultures including Greek, Roman, Arab, Norman, and Byzantine, but perhaps the most known counter culture ever to come out of Sicily is the Sicilian Mafia. Originally named Cosa Nostra, it was developed to combat the lack of help over small disputes (History of Sicily, 2007-2012). Farmers started the Mafia and it turned into a part of Sicily's history that is undeniable and unforgettable. People to this day visit Sicily to experience where the original Mafia came from. Sicily is also known for the fact that a

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person can start out in the snow and in just a few hours be in the hot sunshine, resembling California in that sense.

Sardinia is the second largest island in the Mediterranean Sea next to Sicily and is also an island of Italy (Sardinia, 2015). Sardinia is a tourist island in the summer and is full of beautiful beaches and warm weather. The landscape and beaches can compete with any other popular places in the world including Hawaii, Cancun, Bahamas, and many others. The cities of Sardinia are populated, but due to the mountainous terrain, not many other areas are populated except, of course, the beaches that are filled with places to stay (Sardinia, 2015).

Italy is extravagant, historical, traditional, and even modern depending on where you go in the country, or outside of the country, to the islands. All of the regions are a treat to visit and will give anyone a history lesson they can enjoy. The landscape, food, history, and monumental sites are some of the best in the world and certainly can be the most historical. From top to bottom, north to south, and even to the left, Italy is a country completely full of beauty and times long gone in the past, yet still full of life and tradition, while trying to keep up with the times by changing as they do.

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Student: Student Work #3

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The Writing Process CLO1 (Mastery)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 100 points Student was able to clearly apply elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 85 points Student was able to apply most elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 70 points Student was able to apply some elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 65 points Student was able to apply only a few elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Student was unable to apply elements of the writing process, including planning, shaping, drafting, revising, and editing to create original compositions for various purposes and audiences	100 points Well done Matt. I can see that you took much of the persuasive parts out of this and focussed on the informational aspect. You have crafted a well organized research paper that is easy to read and understand. Nice.
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 100 points Excellent use of the rhetorical mode required for the assignment. Message is clear and easy to follow and follows the assignment instructions exactly.	<input type="radio"/> 85 points Good example of the required rhetorical mode for the assignment. Meets the majority of the writing style requirements, but may benefit from more varied vocabulary of additional details. Assignment instructions are followed.	<input type="radio"/> 70 points The rhetorical mode is attempted but may be lacking direction, focus, detail or explanation and may not follow all assignment instructions as required.	<input type="radio"/> 65 points An attempt at the rhetorical mode of the assignment is made but fails to deliver the coherence or clarity of the assignment. Needs to more effectively define the specific writing style.	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Paper does not follow the assignment instructions for the rhetorical mode requirements.	100 points
APA Format CLO4 (Mastery)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 100 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input type="radio"/> 85 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 80% to 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input type="radio"/> 70 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 70% to 80% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input type="radio"/> 65 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed less than 60% of the time. In-text citations and a reference	<input type="radio"/> 0 points APA formatting is not correct and/or there are no in-text citations or reference page. Plagiarism may or may	100 points You are missing the abstract, which should be page 2. However you still meet the requirement here of 90%

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	100 points	85 points	70 points	65 points	0 points	
Information Literacy CLO5 (Mastery)	Essay follows effective research procedures completely, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay illustrates mostly effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay illustrates minimal use of effective research procedures, including proper use of electronic research environments.	Essay does not illustrate effective research procedures and needs significant improvement in use of electronic research environments.	No proper research procedures followed.	100 points
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
	100 points	85 points	70 points	65 points	0 points	
Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation, and Sentence Structure	No errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Only few errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Several errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure.	Many errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure that distract from the content of the assignment.	Severe errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure that distract from the content of the assignment.	100 points
Overall Score	Level 5 39 or more	Level 4 31 or more	Level 3 23 or more	Level 2 15 or more	Level 1 0 or more	Score and Feedback
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	500 points

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Student Work #4

Italy

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One of the most popular and influential Italy places in the world, Italy is shrouded in Culture, and beautiful country side with the back bone being in family structure, and cuisine. A place that covers an area of 301,338 km and is as largely temperate climate, often referred to as the Boot. With roughly about 61 million inhabitants, being the 4th most populated EU state. Located in the heart of the Mediterranean Sea it shares a open borders with France, Switzerland, Austria, Slovenia, San Marino and last being Vatican City.

The family structure in Italian culture has change, dramatically in the last thirty years, seeing a decrease in the number of Italian families depending on the north of Italy or the south. The stereotype Italian family back in the old days was made of a minimum number of six children is now just an old memory. In the old day traditional Italian families would consist of the woman staying home all day having lots of babies and taking care of the home while making great homemade food. The country evolution from an agricultural system into industrial system brought many changes to the Italian culture. The modern day's Italian family according to the ISTAT (Italy's National Statistics) consist of one to two kids per family, Families from the south tend to have more kids than the north. The reduction in the number of new births which lead to a increase of couples without children, also decreasing the number of marriages and rise in single parent families. The number of single parents in Italy would roughly be (25.9%), couples without kids (19.8%), couples with kids (39.5%), and all big Italian families are down to (5.1%) The social revolution has led to more woman being more independent and focused on their career.

Another thing that has to do with family structure in the Italian culture, is the fine cuisines. Italians are probably best known for their homemade food developed through centuries of social and political changes, the Italian food has heavy influences, including

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Etruscan, ancient Greek, ancient Roman, Byzantine, and Jewish. With the discovery of the new world and the introduction of items such as potatoes, tomatoes, bell peppers and maize, noted for its regional diversity, abundance of different flavors and taste being known for the one of the most popular in the world having strong influences in every country.

Italian cuisine has many different kinds of food but a couple of the most popular consist of some kind of pasta all being homemade and in many flavors, this being divided into two different parts of family dinner, pasta being first with a risotto or a soup like minestrone or farm made cheeses and crackers with pickles, fresh picked fruit and whatever the Matriarch come up with for the day.

Second course meal as if first meal was not enough, depending on the region to region consist of some kind of meat of fish, lamb, beef, pork, or goat all fresh from the farm now in the modern time most Italian families will just go to the market or a local meat store, all the fish is catch daily or bought at the fish market which supplies fresh caught fish every day, with countless amounts of side dishes for everyone to enjoy. After all these countless meals though out the day it would be time for desert normally this is the relaxing social part to talk and interact with the family over wine, or just a cup of coffee with a bit of Limon liquor in it. They talk about if you ever attend one of these family dinners to clear your calendar because these events normally last the whole day sometimes into the next.

I have always admired the way Italian families socialize and live, the closeness and family unity who welcome strangers with open arms, can make anyone feel welcome. I have at one time had a full blooded Italian girlfriend and I not being a guy who does very well at hanging with girlfriend's parents, they always welcomed me with open arms and made me feel

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like one of the family, always involving me in all the family activities. Every time I would go visit her family they would always start by greeting me with a hug and kiss on the cheek making me feel welcome, then the picture would come out her father loved talking about his homeland and how beautiful it was and how him and his brothers and sister grew up, which I always found very interesting cause it is basically another world compare to how I grew up. We would talk and have drinks while most of the time the woman were preparing all the food.

Then we would all sit down for dinner outside her father's house and them being a traditional Italian family the food was a mass of amount, and although I did not like a lot of the flavors like fish on my pizza I did try it but soaked most of the food in hot sauce and still they never judged me just gave me a smile. For desert they still did the guys outside having a drink or some spiked coffee and fun conversation. I truly enjoy how Italian parents don't create socialization problems for themselves, they see their kids as an extension of themselves and so they enjoy helping and accompany their children where ever.

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Rhetorical Mode CLO2 (Mastery)	<input type="radio"/> 100 points Excellent use of the rhetorical mode required for the assignment. Message is clear and easy to follow and follows the assignment instructions exactly.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 85 points Good example of the required rhetorical mode for the assignment. Meets the majority of the writing style requirements, but may benefit from more varied vocabulary of additional details. Assignment instructions are followed.	<input type="radio"/> 70 points The rhetorical mode is attempted but may be lacking direction, focus, detail or explanation and may not follow all assignment instructions as required.	<input type="radio"/> 65 points An attempt at the rhetorical mode of the assignment is made but fails to deliver the coherence or clarity of the assignment. Needs to more effectively define the specific writing style.	<input type="radio"/> 0 points Paper does not follow the assignment instructions for the rhetorical mode requirements.	85 points The biggest part of this was done in the informational mode, but towards the end you slipped into persuasive.
APA Format CLO4 (Mastery)	<input type="radio"/> 100 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input type="radio"/> 85 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 80% to 90% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 70 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed at least 70% to 80% of the time. There are in-text citations and a	<input type="radio"/> 65 points APA formatting and/or citation rules are followed less than 60% of the time. In-text citations and a reference	<input type="radio"/> 0 points APA formatting is not correct and/or there are no in-text citations or reference page. Plagiarism may or may	70 points Good job on title page, and abstract, you also had in text citations. However your reference page needs revision.

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