ENSAYO #1

**Format / Important Notes**

This essay must be typed and double-spaced using font size 12 or 14, Times New Roman, Tahoma or Calibri. You are responsible for including appropriate characters (e.g. written accents). You may want to write this essay in Connect (where you have access to the special characters), and then cut and paste it into a Word document or learn how to make the special characters yourself using the information on this page: [http://occonline.occ.cccd.edu/online/dcabanel/intlchar.html](http://occonline.occ.cccd.edu/online/dcabanel/intlchar.html)

Your essay must be your own work. Do not have a native speaker write or edit your essay; it will be obvious that it is not your work. In addition, do not write in English and rely on translation to convert your essay to Spanish. This technique often produces incomprehensible Spanish. Use the strategies that we practiced in class when you wrote the in-class essay: (1) brainstorm ideas; then, (2) think about the language that you'll need to express those ideas. Writing your own essays will prepare you well for the in-class final essay.

Plan to turn in this essay in class on the due date; or, if you will miss class, you may send it as an attachment to my e-mail: dcabanel@occ.cccd.edu BEFORE the start of class on the due date. All attachments must be sent as either Word (.doc or .docx) or .pdf documents; do not use other formats. Please make sure that your name and the class section are at the top of the document. Do not turn in this essay online in Connect. If you do so, it will not be graded.

**Contenido:**

Escribe un ensayo de 12 a 14 oraciones sobre una semana típica para ti. Escribe dos párrafos sobre tus actividades, e incluye detalles como cuándo (qué días, durante qué parte del día o a qué hora), dónde, y con quién(es) haces las actividades.

**En el primer párrafo** describe las actividades que haces durante la semana (de lunes a viernes).

**En el segundo párrafo** describe las actividades que haces durante los fines de semana (los sábados, los domingos).

**Content:**

Write an essay of 12 to 14 sentences about a typical week for you. Write two paragraphs about your activities, making sure to include details like when (what days, what part of the day or what time), where, and with whom you do the activities.

**In the first paragraph,** describe the activities that you do during the week (Mondays through Fridays).

**In the second paragraph,** describe the activities that you do during the weekend (Saturdays Sundays).

**Reminders/Helpful Notes:**

- Include your name and section number at the top.
- Include a title (a possible title could be: Una semana típica)
- In addition to (or within) the two paragraphs, include a brief introduction and a brief conclusion.
- To describe typical activities, you'll use primarily the present tense of verbs (Infórmate 3.3 pp. 90-91); but you may wish to use other constructions from Cap. 3 and Cap. 4 to express what you typically like to do, want to do, prefer to do, etc.
- When speaking of one particular day, use el: Tengo un examen el lunes.
- When speaking of multiple days, use los: Tengo la clase de arte los lunes.