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Never Make The Same Mistake Twice

In the article, "The Power Of 'Hello'", it teaches many people how valuable it is to greet others. Howard White directly states how important greeting was important to him as a child. In his childhood, his mom taught him a valuable lesson, "She said, 'You let that be the last time you ever walk by somebody and not open up your mouth to speak, because even a dog can wag its tail when it passes you on the street'" (White). Howard White didn't know how important greeting others was to him till his mom called him out. Since this is from Howard's White, this is a personal narrative. Howard White's mom made the right decision to show Howard that greeting others is important because greetings can help you a lot in your life. Greeting others can show others that you respect them and it can actually make one's day. Thinking about this reminds me of my past when I was little because I didn't know how important it was to greet others. In fact, I would tend to ignore many people because I was a shy kid. My mom told me the same thing Howard's mom told to him. Learning from my mistake, I started to greet everyone and it kind of changed my life. I started to be more optimistic about everything and it made me change how I view the world now. Greetings can really make one's life change, like Howard White's. It changed Howard White's life by making him an optimistic person by always greeting gazillion employees every day. He acknowledges everyone in his company and simply because of greeting others.

In fact, "Carolyn Hax" shows how people tend to look at the more of the negative side than being positive. People tend to blame others when their outcomes turn out bad. It's easier to be more unhappy about yourself than being happy about yourself. Many people tend to blame others, "And it's always a little bit easier to put that blame on someone/something else: 'Guys are such jerks' is easier than 'I missed obvious signs that he didn't like me,' or 'I expected him to read my mind and be my little puppet, when in fact I didn't pay any attention to what he might have wanted or the ways I might have dismissed his feelings'" (Hax). Many people choose to blame others for what they have done wrong because they don't want to feel more guilty about themselves. This writing is also personal narrative because it talks about her point of view how she views the negativity. I feel strongly about how many people tend to look at the negative side than the positive side because that's what the world makes us think. Even if we were to call it "joy," like Hax said, "Even calling it "joy" is deceiving, because joy sounds easy" (Hax). There's always a tendency to be a negative side like doubting yourself or blaming others. Also, joy can be deceiving and can be viewed as another perspective. We tend to close the door and deny everything around us, which makes us see the world as a negative world. This article makes me think about myself because I have a tendency to look at the negative than the positive and I'm also the same for blaming others for what I did wrong. Finally, in the article *Student Code*, it shows students of Urbana-Champaign what rights they have in this school. Students of Urbana-Champaign have some rights, "freedom to learn, free and open expression within limits that do not interfere with the rights of others, free and disinterested inquiry, intellectual honesty, sustained and independent search for truth, the exercise of critical judgment, respect for the dignity of others, and personal and institutional openness to constructive change." (Student

Rights and Responsibilities). These rights are given to every students of Urbana-Champaign and can't be broken. In my honesty, I can agree with all these rights because everyone should have the freedom to learn, free and open expression within limits that does not interfere with the rights of honors. Having some freedom in college, makes us feel better about ourselves. This reminds me of my rules at home. At my house, we have a rule like don't wear the shoes in the house and how we have to eat at the kitchen table. In Urbana-Champaign it gives us many rights like we can have our own culture club, and kids with disabilities are still able to learn here. To conclude, most of these articles talk about valuable things about life. It shows how important it is to greet others, and not to blame others for your own action, and the rights students can have.