



# Core Competencies Self-Assessment



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How does the artifact you selected demonstrate strengths & growth in the communication competency?

In what ways might you further develop your communication competency?

## Self-Reflection

Describe how the artifact you selected shows your strengths & growth in specific core competencies. The prompt questions on the left - or other self-assessment activities you may have done - may guide your reflection process.

## Critical thinking

I have a Mennonite background, so I decided to write about the hardships of a Mennonite boys life. I already was quite educated in this field, so it was a lot easier for me to develop my ideas. My character  
Is from the same Mennonite colony my family was from. Also I speak some low German, the same language Mennonites spoke, so in dialogue I could talk as if they were realistically speaking. I designed these ideas because my Great Uncle Don has faced the same sort of challenges I knew others had gone through the same. Also I thought it was amazing how my uncle could have gone through so much but still have all his faith remained in God. The last names like Reimer, Wiebe, Janzen, and Dyck are all Mennonite last names, so I used them.

It worked well, it was easy to write on. The thing that didn't work as I planned, was I felt I had to write more. Because I was writing on someone's whole childhood, and my character had a lot going on. I had to include the most important events, and I couldn't get too detailed. This topic you could write a full 300 page book on.



How does the artifact you selected demonstrate strengths & growth in the thinking competencies?

In what ways might you further develop your thinking competencies?

## Creative thinking

I read a book about a Mennonite family growing up in Manitoba, so I knew the hardships and a sense of what it was like. My grandpa and grandma also grew up in the prairies and they have stories that gave me a sense of what it was like. I created most of my ideas based on the things I already knew about this topic. Once I got the Basics I could expand on the ideas.

The strengths of my essay is that it was easy to follow. I started off giving a clear background of my character, then I walk the reader through his life, I use his perspective so the reader knows what he is thinking. My prompt is subtle in my writing and clearly at the end you know that Corny's values stayed the same. Also I liked how I went from past tense, to Present at the conclusion. My paragraphs had good structure and I let the reader know what they needed to know. I added some extra stories to develop the characters more.



How does the artifact you selected demonstrate strengths & growth in the personal & social competencies?

In what ways might you further develop your personal & social competencies?

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