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The Adult Basic Education (ABE) program was a major milestone in my life. I learned English as a second language in order to continue my post-secondary education. Learning a new language is daunting, especially expressing oneself successfully in academic writing. The instructor not only taught me how to write paragraphs and essays, but how to express myself using a medium I was intimidated by. The lectures and techniques taught through assignments, exercises, and films made me eager to learn how to write and share my perspective. I learned that my opinion is significant, and it matters. When I write well, I can do more than just finish an assignment with a passing grade. I wanted to carry on this style of writing and began to explore the academic world, where I found sociology. ABE is not only an introduction to writing; it is the approach that makes this program so valuable. I recommend the ABE program to anyone who needs an introduction to the language and the academic world because it not only qualifies them to move forward academically, but it also provides a sense of engagement on a competitive and enriched level.

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