

I See Myself in the Future

This assignment will both be written and delivered as a short speech in front of the class.

This composition is focused on a prediction about your life in 10-15 years, somewhere in the 25-30 year old range. You will speak to both the journey and the destination. You want to ponder several factors. You want to include things such as the kind of work you might be doing and the education path taken to get there. Where will you live and how will you support yourself? See some guiding questions below.



You do have some flexibility on the specifics and how you present your story. Just be sure to consider the path and destination. For example, you might ask questions like these before building your outline.

- How will my path represent what I value? (adventure, financial stability, independence, connection, etc.)
- Do I have a spouse?
- Will I have a pet?
- What about children?
- Do I want to wander/travel or settle down in one location?
- Will mom still do my laundry? 😊

Below is a sample outline. Change it how you wish but stay within the topic focus.

I. Begin with a topic sentence to set the focus. E.g. *I can imagine my life in 15 years.*

- A. Describe the education and training that is required for your job.
- B. Include a specific job description of what you do at your work.

II. Write about where you would like to be living.

- A. Include what difference this living location makes in your life.
- B. Include what impact your job and living choices makes in other's lives.
- C. Include who and what will be part of my life at that time.

III. Summarize your statements. (add a conclusion that ties everything together)

Finally, as you create your outline (you will do that *first*, right?) recall that a basic outline/speech typically has three basic parts.

1. Introduce what you will be telling them
2. Tell them
3. Remind them what you told them

