**Creative writing assignment- “Peas in a Pod”-English 10**

Assignment choices- pick one

1. Pretend you are one of the characters in the story. Write a journal explaining what happened to you in the story and how you felt about it. Pick 5 things that happened and explain what happened. Then explain how you felt and why. Also explain how you felt at the end of the story and why. Lastly explain if you are still going to be friends or not and why. The journal should be at least 1 ½ to 2 pages long and single spaced. It needs to be written in full sentences. Make sure you follow the writing process.

2. Pretend you are a newspaper reporter, or television journalist. Prepare a series of interview questions for characters in the story that ask them about what happened, how they felt about it and why they felt that way. You must also answer these questions as if you were those characters. This should be at least 1 ½ to 2 pages long and single spaced. It needs to be written in full sentences. Make sure you follow the writing process.

For both of these assignments you need to do the following:

1. Brainstorm- Make a list of what you’re going to talk about- ie. Events, characters, feelings of characters, explanations of why they would feel that way

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| Event | Character | Feeling |  Why? |
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1. Organize/Outline- Put that list in the order you will talk about it in your journal
2. Rough copy- Write the actual journal
3. Editing- Edit your journal for grammar and punctuation. Make sure everything is in full sentences. Then make sure you have done everything the assignment asked you to do.

Checklist of questions:

1. Have you chosen a character or characters?
2. Did you explain at least 5 things that happened to the character(s) you have picked in the story, in your assignment?
3. Did you explain how they felt about each of these events?
4. Did you explain why they felt that way?
5. Did you explain how they felt at the end of the story?
6. Did you explain why they felt that way?
7. Did you identify the subjects and verbs to determine proper sentence structure?
8. Did you check for run on sentences and fix them?
9. Did you check for sentence fragments and fix them?
10. Did you check for subject/verb agreement problems and fix them?
11. Did you check for tense agreement problems and fix them?
12. Did you check spelling and punctuation and fix those errors?
13. Did you complete all the prewriting steps?
14. Did you use proper paragraph structure?
15. Does your assignment do what it is supposed to do?
16. Does your assignment make sense?
17. Is your assignment interesting and engaging for the reader?
18. Did you try to improve at least 5 vocabulary words?
19. Did you try to improve your descriptions/details?
20. Did you try to improve your reasons/examples/explanations?
21. Good copy- Use the editing you have done to create and write your good copy.