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Dear Ibrahim Alfarai,

Thank you for your interest in this course. This document reflects my assessment of your DCE assignment. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions concerning my comments or your grade. My goal is to help you improve your writing, reading, and thinking. I want to help you be successful in this class.

Best regards,  
Luke Bowman

### DCE Assessment

#### Positive Remarks:

-I understand many of your ideas, but I struggled to understand how they applied to the group you chose to study. What group did you study? The essay lacks clarity.

#### Instructions for Development:

- **Thesis Statements:** Does your essay lack a strong controlling idea or argument? Please read this short article to develop your understanding of thesis statements: <http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/thesis-statements/>

In your journal, write three new thesis statements for your essay. Circle the one you think is best.

- **Awkward Constructions:** Do you see any sentences which could be reworded for clarity and flow? Read your essay aloud and listen for problems. Please note the issues you notice and write revisions in your journal.

- **Evidence:** Are your claims supported with enough evidence? Please read this short article on evidence: <http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/evidence/>

Please identify three claims in your essay which lack evidence. Write these claims in your journal with ideas for additional evidence you could use.

- **Organization:** How are your ideas organized? Please read this short article to improve your understanding of organization: <http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/reorganizing-drafts/>

Please note three organizational problems with your essay in your journal. Develop a new outline which solves these problems.

- **Specificity:** Is your writing specific enough? Are there places in your essay that lack clarity? Do you provide enough details to support your claims, ideas, or explanations? Please find places in your writing that would benefit from more specificity and write corrections in your notebook.

Points Earned out of 200: 133