Journals

October 27th, 2010

My main character's name is Juan Espinosa. He's of Mexican decent. Juan is in high school, so he's about fifteen years old, and he's s freshman. Juan is a male and dresses like everyone else. He speaks perfect English, but his best friend, Caridad, speaks "broken" English. He has a positive, optimistic personality and his strength is in science class. He doesn't have a car; he is lower to middle-class. His main goal is to be able to fit in.

November 8th, 2010

No, I didn't use any dialogue in my story because I wrote with one character in first person. I could include dialogue when Juan is talking to his family or with his friends at school. Dialogue can better develop a story, and give the readers a better insight on a character by the way they speak. Dialogue can reveal a lot about a character, and can, at times, be more useful than just merely listing out information.

November 10th, 2010

I'm very satisfied with my short story because I took my time writing it to make it better, and to give it meaning. I think I earned an A- on this paper. I think I learned this grade because it was sort of a very short story, but I believe that the information and its meaning make up for its shortness. I f I were to complete an additional revision of this assignment I would probably brainstorm ways that I could make it longer without ruining it.

I learned to write short stories and how to make sure an audience discovers the true meaning of a story without giving too much away. I'm very sure that I would use those skills next semester in the works that I have to complete for ENC1102 and LIT2020.