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Since the beginning of this course I had been excited to work and become familiar with computer software that I have not used in the past. As well as learning more about computers the ability to pass what I have learn onto to the clients of WestHab was a valuable experience. I taught them how to use programs like MS Paint, MS Word, and PowerPoint, but they also have given me the ability to learn from mistakes I have made while teaching.

Teaching computer applications to teens was the most productive way of teaching for young adolescence. Teens lives are focused around computers and learning new programs for their PC. Teaching teens these programs will enabled them to actually use internet access for not just talking to friends and emails, but for a learning experience that can help make a school assignment a fundamental activity.

During each session my partner and I would explain the program we would be using for the day along with the tools needed to create the project. We would explain what the program could be used for and how it could be effective in an everyday schedule. I would show the client an example of what I made with this program for an idea to start theirs on. I would explain what tools I used and how my sample of work effective my everyday life. Once we did that we would open a new page and tell our clients to experiment with the different tools and colors to establish a sense of what they might want to create.

I have felt and I hope that all my clients enjoyed all the lessons taught to them. Each client created a work that best influenced them and effected reflected their personality. All the clients I had were friendly, excited, ready and willing to learn the assignment for the day. They were very cooperative and listened carefully to all instructions, as well as being open-minded for suggestions.

From this opportunity I have experienced I know for future references how I should teach certain topics. Making sure I cover all aspects of the programs before we begin because I did found myself having to stop and show my client something I had neglected to show them before we started. This has been a great opportunity for me considering I hope pursue a career in Teaching. I now know what to expect and will continue to practice to better my teaching abilities.

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