Weekly Writing #1 - Corcoran

(Assigned on Tuesday, August 28th. Class time provided)

**Due Friday, September 7, 2012**

**Purpose:**

Weekly Writings are designed for you to practice the writing process, specific writing skills, conventions, and thinking skills. These writings provide an opportunity for you to expand your abilities to effectively communicate ideas to an audience.

**Instructions:**

* Write 3 (or more) paragraphs (5+ sentences per paragraph) about the provided topic. Give specific details and explanations.
* Complete all steps of the writing process. I want to see copies of all the steps in the writing process you take to complete the weekly writing. **You are required to staple together all the steps.** For example, your handwritten brainstorm, your first draft, your revised draft with comments from family and friends, your edited draft with pen markings of spelling and grammar changes, and your word processed or nice handwritten final version.

**Topic for the Week:** Changes in Your History

One of the only constants in life is change. Schools change. Friends change. The world changes. For this Weekly Writing, I want you to explain the major changes in your personal history. **The following prompts/ questions must be answered in order within the specific paragraphs.** (Three or more paragraphs with at least five sentences per paragraph)

***Paragraph 1:*** *Describe the major life changes that have occurred in your personal timeline.*

*Think about physical, mental, social, and emotional changes.*

***Paragraph 2:*** *How has the world changed around you? Think about your immediate world*

*of friends and family and then the larger worlds of the city, state, country, and Earth.*

***Paragraph 3:*** *Explore what significant changes you would like to happen in your future history. These can be changes in your life and/or the world around you.*

**Grading:**

Weekly writings are part of the 25% Writing component of your overall trimester grade. The rubric is found on the back of this paper. This is your first exposure to the Written Expression Rubric and I want to see where your baseline is at for process writing.