

Student Exemplar: Kade's 2.3 Creative Response (Final Draft)

The following emails were found on Jeff's computer. Jeff is trying to encourage his friend, Will, to deal with bullies at school. Jeff and Will are students at the same school.



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New Message : ADLC

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From: jdawg

Subject: What's up?

To: wsmartguy@google.com

Cc:

January 15, 2009

Hey man. So, what are you going to do? I see you every day getting harassed by those idiots! Why don't you just stand up? Look I know what its like – I spent years in my old school dealing with that garbage, but I won't let anyone treat me like that anymore. I know you are different from me. I think having a chat with someone in authority – Miss Tims would be great – to get some advice might work.
Whaddya think?

Your tone is appropriate here, given that you have one friend emailing the other. Do be sure to edit for correctness in your punctuation, though. Note where I highlighted in green throughout your final draft.

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From: jdawg

Subject: sorry

To: wsmartguy@google.com

Cc:

January 18, 2009

Wow. I am so sorry man. I never would have guessed that people could be so insane. What gives? I could not believe what I saw when they led you to the office and then took you to the infirmary. How much blood did you lose? Those guys are psycho to do that! You gave up, and they still punched you??? Are they going to be kicked out for this? The school is not safe for anyone with goons like that around. Look if you don't talk to Miss Tims, I will – this has to stop before you get KILLED! I need your help here buddy – sleep on it.

The slang here contributes to the voice and the form (friends emailing one another).

Clearly, Jeff is looking for a way to help his friend.

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From: jdawg

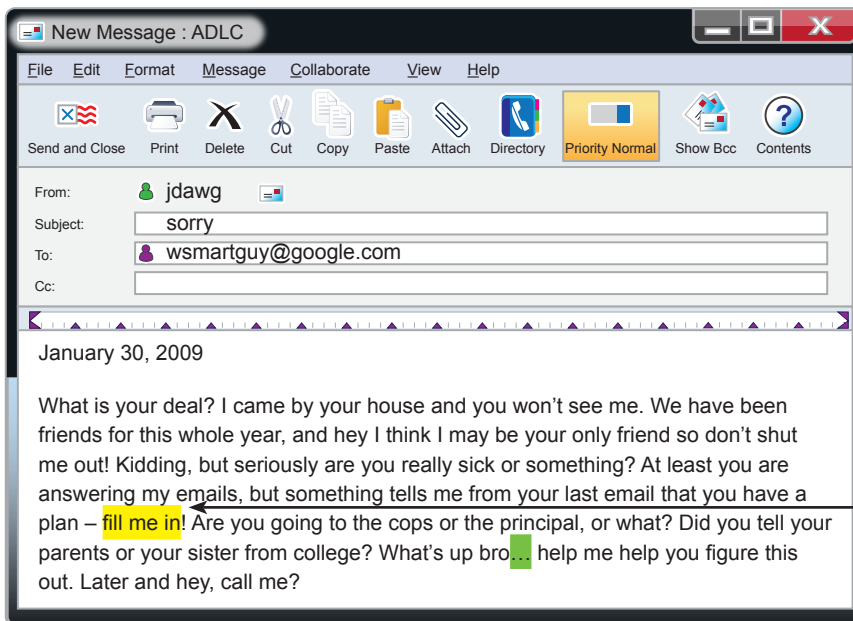
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To: wsmartguy@google.com

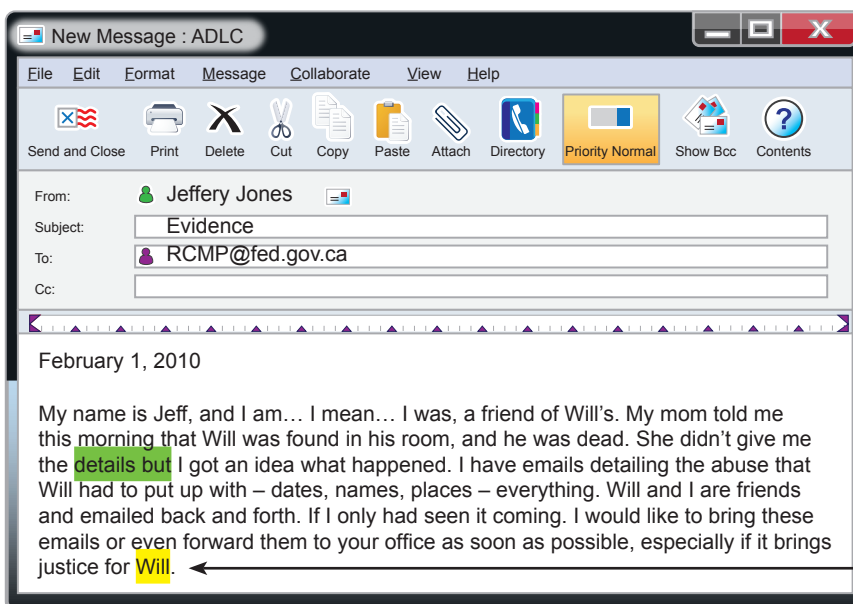
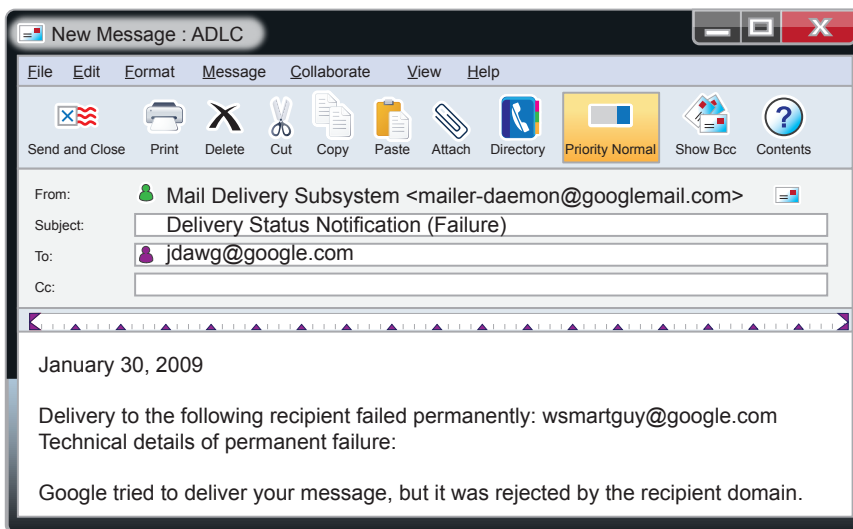
Cc:

January 24, 2009

Where have you been? Are you sick? What's with missing so much time with finals on? Look I know it stinks, and I know what your day is like, but look, you are going to flunk out of school. Seriously, call me at home or text my cell or just come by, and we will try to figure things out. I spoke to Miss Tims and she says she is bringing it to the principal's attention when he returns in February – those guys are gonzo! We will get those creeps off your back. Ttyl.



We can see how his concern is building here.



You have established and maintained a consistent tone throughout your response. Jeff is attempting to assist a friend in crisis instead of ranting about how unfair it is. Persuasive closure.