**Most Prevalent Interview Question: A Quick Write**

**English 12**

**September 2016**

Task:

You have 10 minutes to use ONE Word of the Week (from all 15) in answering this question, which happens to be the most asked question in interviews for any job:

But, I’d also love to see you add sophistication to your style by using a dash, semi-colon or colon.

1. Dash. A quick pause to intro a point or have something stand out.

Ex. The band stepped onto the **stage – for the final time – and** decided that this would be the greatest performance of their lives.

1. Colon. A bigger intro to a point, a quote, or a list.

Ex. The band stepped out onto the stage, looked at each, and **knew: This** would be their final performance together.

1. Semi-colon. To separate two shortish yet related sentences.

Ex. The band prepared for their final **concert; they** knew it would be their greatest performance.

Here’s the question.

**What are your weaknesses?**

Be sure to answer the question as it might pertain to your “dream job”. I am looking for 8-10 sentences in 10 minutes. Also be sure to answer it as if you’re trying to impress a future boss. It seems almost paradoxical to impress with a question like this, but you’ve got to find a way!

Go!

Dream Job: Teacher/Cook

I don’t have experience teaching. However, I have worked with young people in many capacities since the age of 16. During my grade ten year, I coached elementary basketball and did work experience at Roy Wilcox Elementary as a PE teacher. I enjoyed my time with these kids, teaching them skills and inspiring them to work hard. So despite not having formal teaching experience, I believe that my life journey has naturally followed the path I am on. After the death of my father when I was six, I inadvertently – and purposefully – sought role models who were coaches, older teens, and teachers. My favorite teacher became my mentor teacher in college, and to this day, we still play nine hole of golf every summer while sharing lunch with families. Ultimately, my lack of experience in a “real” classroom may be my biggest strength. Every day is a new adventure, a story to be told…even to Jedrek, the hater. My youth, my youth is yours, I have heard, and I am excited to learn along with my students.

Cook

For three years I have worked in the kitchen at Boston Pizza and for the past two I’ve helped prep meals at Porter Creek Secondary. However, in both environments I have been a contributor to a much larger group(?), but for this position I am being asked to take on a bigger leadership role, which I have never done in a culinary ????. But this doesn’t mean I don’t have skilllzzzz! Playing high school volleyball and basketball – and being a ten time captain -