

## English 12 Original Composition

### Scale Point: 4

#### Comment

This paper was awarded a 4 because, although predictable and simplistic, it is clearly adequate. The tone is conversational, but there are no significant writing errors.

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My name is Tom Cruise, I am 16 years old and I consider myself to be maturing more and more every day. For me there has been countless experiences in my life that have made me mature but to me the ones that stand out the most have happened in my teen years.

The one experience that first came to my mind when I saw “maturing” was my first day of highschool. To me this was a huge deal. I remember having so much more freedom and responsibility. This was a huge change for me because in elementary school I never had to get to class on time or even find the class you were already there. Coming home after that first day of highschool I felt different and more like an adult.

Another significant experience that happened to me that matured me more was my first girlfriend. I was so nervous around her and I never know what to do or say but I still felt more mature because I had a girlfriend. It was one of those relationships where you don't even really talk to the person you just say “ya we're going out”. This was a big deal to me because I had just started highschool and now I had a girlfriend and I kept feeling more and more mature.

I remember coming home one day from school and hearing my Dad say “you need to shave”. I had never shaved before and I didn't know how. He showed me in his bathroom then gave me my own razor. This to me meant that I was really growing up. I remember how my face burned after the first time I shaved and I looked at myself in the mirror and thought about how much I was growing up.

My sixteenth birthday was unbelievable for me. Everyone waits for their sixteenth birthday their whole life up to it. It's the year when you can finally drive. I remember going to get my learner's license and driving around thinking “I'm so cool”. That feeling wore off quickly when I realized always driving with your parents isn't that fun. When I finally got my real license I felt very mature because I could drive a car without any parents in it. I think this is a very maturing moment in everyone's life because you suddenly get all of this freedom that you never had and your trusted with it.

These are just several experience that have stood out in my life making me more mature. There has been countless times when I've just realised “wow I'm getting mature”. I think that with every day I'm getting more and more mature even if something doesn't happen to me that day like shaving, or getting a drivers license. I'm not sure if I will continue to mature after highschool or if I'll get less mature in college but whatever happens I'm looking forwards to it.