

BEFORE

Areas for development involve the *simple* need for more experience, being overprotective, and increasing my confidence. While I have taken helpful courses, completed innumerable volunteer opportunities, and a practicum program, I still have a lot to learn. I have worked hard to take on jobs and volunteer work to plug gaps in my experience, to include spending time with infants. As an important age group, I became a volunteer in the NICU at [hospital], during my practicum program and have sought out two families in [city] with infants to care for the past several months. As an activity leader at Camp [name] and as a nanny, I **may tend to** worry more than I need to when the kids are engaging in physical activity. As I continue to gain more experience with children, I have a better understanding of their capabilities and am learning to trust their decisions. I understand

IN PROGRESS: notes from Jennifer Elin Cole, writeforyourbrand.com to guide the student without writing her application for her.

Areas for development involve the *unpretentious* need for more experience, learning to be less overprotective, and increasing my confidence. While I have taken helpful courses, completed **innumerable** volunteer opportunities, and a practicum program, I still have a lot to learn. I intentionally choose jobs and volunteer projects most likely to close my experience gaps, such as spending time with infants. **As an important age group**. During my practicum at [hospital], I volunteered in the NICU and continued learning about infant care working for two [city] families the past several **months**. As an activity leader at Camp [name], and as a nanny, I've come to recognize I worry unnecessarily when the kids are playing, especially during a lot of physical activity. With more practice, and increased familiarity with their developmental stages, I understand their capabilities better; I am learning to trust their decisions.

Commented [JC1]: Really? So many volunteer opportunities you can't count them? How literal are the reviewers?

Commented [JC2]: What makes infants an important age group? Is that a given in CCLS? Will anyone reading this essay know exactly what you this statement means?

Commented [JC3]: Does telling them she cared for infants "for the last several months" help or hurt? Does it say you were proactive during non-class time or does it say you only had a few months of infant care experience?