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Peer Review Workshop

For my last essay I got prompt number three and the prompt was to argue if I believed that homelessness and/or poverty is a way of life one chooses or if it is caused by circumstantial events in a person's life and use scholarly sources to support my position. I decided to write about how I believe no one chooses this life and that it is a result of circumstances. I tried to incorporate the novel we read, *The Tattooed Soldier*, Hector Tobar as well as some outside sources.

Discussion was a lot better than the other peer reviews we have over the year, in my opinion. I think it was because the members in my group were all righting about the same topic and we researched similar cases and information. After reading part of my essay, my peer's comments were all the same. I realized I was very repetitive in my writing. I did not notice after writing my essay that I repeated myself a lot in a sentence. For example, Grisel pointed out where I was repeating myself. She pointed out how in my first sentence I used mind twice and I should look for a different word. This way I would avoid being too repetitive. Now that I have seen my repetitiveness I will try to avoid this in my next draft. My group also pointed out that I could shorten my thesis by taking out a part. I think I am going to take it out because my thesis sounds a lot better without it. My group agreed that I provided good explanations for everything I read to them. I also provided evidence to my arguments and position. However I think that I should broaden it a bit more by including other different sources.

Word count: 310