

## **Felix Oltean's Writing Sample**

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DOGS  
by Felix Oltean

Through a field surrounded by trees walk two men, sharing a bottle of liquor between them. The sun has set and the sky is a dark blue, not quite yet night. They hear something in the distance, and one of them decides to walk in that direction. The other follows apprehensively.

They get to a large tree and hiding amongst the roots is a very large dog, laying on its side, bleeding out from a wound on its stomach, breathing heavily. The man holding the liquor walks towards the dog and pours some of it onto its wound. The dog winces, howls, and goes back to breathing, heavier than before.

The two men walk away from the dog and into the field, deciding what more to do, as another dog shows up and watches them from afar.

The two men drink from the bottle.

Dogs are now amassing in the distance, watching the men, approaching slowly. More and more appear, and the field is eventually surrounded by dogs in all directions. Their gazes focus upon the man who poured the liquor. The other man backs away from him slowly, further and further towards a hole in the line of dogs that surrounds them, and dashes through it to escape the situation. The dogs begin to approach, slowly circling the man who poured the liquor, hundreds of dogs doing this.

It is much darker now; night has fallen.

A helicopter flies in and hovers over the man who poured the liquor, shining its light down from above. The dogs continue to circle the man who poured the liquor.

The man makes a motion with his hand, and the dogs all lie down.

LONDON  
by Felix Oltean

Overwhelmed, walking around, so much going on, people rush by constantly, constantly people rushing by. They bump into me and say nothing, they just keep walking as if I'm nothing. Or they stare. Some of them stare. What's wrong with me? I seem different, I'm dressed different, I'm not like them.

A group of five walk by and laugh. Are they laughing at me? I put my head down and keep walking, bumping shoulders even more now that I don't look ahead of me. I need a break from all of this. I look for something familiar but there's nothing. Where am I?

A cart of oranges, I rush to a cart of oranges. I reach to grab one and my hand floats through the image. Is... is this a hologram?

The person behind the cart pays no attention to me. I turn around, and out of frustration grab someone by the collar.

"Are these holograms?" I ask.

"Yeah, the whole world is holograms." they respond. I must have made some kind of face.

"Not before 2015!" I reply.

They let out a disgusted grunt, shake my hands off their collar and walk off.

## A Tale of Two Pest Situations

Facebook teaser: The best way to proceed when it comes to pests.

We're gonna talk about Phil. Phil lives in a wooden building somewhere in Southern Ontario and Phil works a hard job as in a warehouse. A mouse enters Phil's apartment. Weeks go by, and every night Phil hears scurrying.

We're also gonna talk about Laura. She runs a small business that serves food in her establishment. Today, her business got shut down because of vermin droppings the health inspector discovered, and she doesn't know if her customers will return. She has until tomorrow; if those notices are still displayed on the front door tomorrow, she might lose her business license

What could Phil and Laura do? They could do it themselves, spend tens or maybe even hundreds at the hardware store, apply the method themselves potentially unaware of the risks involved, and hope for the best. Or they could contact the pest control services in their area and be assured of the safest, quickest, and most environmentally friendly response.

What Phil and Laura don't realize is, the wrong pest control applications can make problems worse. Besides cleanliness, which doesn't even guarantee a pest free environment, pest control services should be the first line of defense when it comes to taking care problems that can go from nuisance to monumental in a very short span of time.

When Phil and Laura look for pest control services, they'll want something that's quick, humane, and long term. Not everyone offers this; and even fewer are both experienced and certified. Even fewer still, sit on boards and National Committees, so as to be sure to stay on top of industry best practices. If Phil and Laura are serious about solving their pest problems, they must choose the best pest control services available.

Phil and Laura might be tempted to cut costs and do it the cheapest way possible. But the wrong methods can lead to taking major risks; it could lead to days, weeks, or months of stressing out and living in unsanitary conditions; they would be risking their furniture, their belongings, their livelihoods and even their health. Or, they could choose pest control services, which would mean choosing the best solution to problems that can be managed by certified, insured professionals, in a quick, courteous, and effective manner.

To both Phil and Laura, pests are more than a nuisance, they're a danger. And by taking matters into their own hands, they could create an even more dangerous situation. The safest option for both of them is trusting the experts when it comes to pest control and hire pest control services.

But not every pest situation is like Phil and Laura's; some are much different and yet just as dangerous or at least, just as annoying. A hive of hornets near a front door and one of the inhabitants is allergic; a march of ants through someone's kitchen that just won't go away; or even noticing a single bed bug as you make the bed in the morning. All of these situations are handled in the safest, most efficient way possible by contacting experienced and reliable pest control services.

## **Title: Consider Sports Car Rental in Vancouver**

It's the weekend or a holiday or just your day off, and you want to cruise in style. Vancouver and the Lower Mainland, not to mention all of BC, are an incredibly beautiful place, and some of the best parts are best accessed with a vehicle. Why not try a car you'd never consider? Why not try sports car rental in Vancouver?

You may love driving. It could be your favourite thing, but maybe you're like the rest of us who can't or don't want to buy or maintain a sports car. Luckily, there are car rental places in Vancouver that cater to the sports car enthusiast, with a myriad of vehicles available to choose from. Through sports car rental in Vancouver, you can get your fill of driving a fun, state of the art sports car just about anywhere you may want.

Going slow and chilling down Robson or through Gastown, or picking up the pace along on the 99 or 91 as you head to the beaches of White Rock, or keep going east and hit historic New Westminster or lively Surrey. Or why not really enjoy the ride and go as far as Whistler, or Fairmont, and enjoy what nature really has to offer? Or, and make sure this is ok with your car rental company, as not all allow it, why not go as far as the states or the Yukon? A road trip to what could be your new favourite place is beckoning, and it's all through sports car rental in Vancouver.

There's trails, campgrounds, lakes, mountains, towns, and hot springs all over the place, and what some would call the funnest way to get to them is behind the wheel of a well-tuned sports car. Sure, an economy car can take you there just as easily, but why not try something with a little punch and style? Some ideas for sports car rental in Vancouver are prom, a date, a special occasion like an anniversary, or just, wanting to experience the open road on a nice set of wheels.

And this is all available even if you do not have a credit card, as some select places offer debit deposits on the vehicles. As well, consider that insurance is not included in the car rental price, but you may be able to get it through your homeowner's insurance, your credit card, an insurance broker, or even by paying an extra fee at the car rental business of your choosing. If you're considering sports car rental in Vancouver, consider doing business with the car rental company that has the vehicle you want to drive, or the closest thing to it, and check out the prices online. You may be surprised at how reasonable a quick trip to Whistler could be in a Porsche or a Mercedes-Benz.

If you know Vancouver, you'll know there's lots of nice vehicles out and about, and the fastest way to get into one without paying an arm and a leg is sports car rental in Vancouver.

## **Safety When it Comes to Gutters in Langley**

Facebook Teaser: Some thoughts on how best to approach gutter maintenance

Owning a home in Langley, like owning a home anywhere else, means regular maintenance to many parts of your home. Because of the rain the Lower Mainland receives, one of these important parts is your gutters, which require regular cleaning to continue to operate efficiently. Ignoring this maintenance could mean having to re-do the gutters and install new ones or risking major water damage to your home.

You might be wondering about how to approach your gutters; you could think in terms of cost, in terms of time, or in terms of quality. But a better way to consider issues like these is simply in terms of safety. The safest, not to mention the fastest and the highest quality gutter work is best done by trained professionals, who specialize in all things gutters; who know how they are built, how best to clean and repair them, and how to do this not just quickly but more importantly, safely.

If you are trained with ladders and are comfortable with the type of work, which requires bending, precise footing, and the use of precise tools at a height, just some of the skills needed for gutter cleaning and repair, you might be able to perform this maintenance yourself. But if you don't want to take unnecessary risks when it comes to home projects, especially ones where the risk increases with the height, it might be time to call up a gutter cleaning company in Langley.

Not sure how to proceed? Contact a gutter cleaning company in Langley to get a quote, and do a cost vs. risk analysis, but consider the true cost of the risks and benefits of hiring gutter experts. Consider your age and that ladders increase the risk of an accident, and if you're still not sure, research the work required and the tools necessary for proper gutter maintenance - all of which must be used at a height.

If you're considering a gutter cleaning company in Langley, why not look for one that delivers fast precise quotes, and has picture proof of the high quality of work they provide? Also important to consider is whether or not the gutter cleaning service you're considering specializes in your exact maintenance issue - not all gutter cleaning companies in Langley can do hidden gutter repair and installation, downpipe repair and replacement, fascia and flashing replacement. or even moss removal and roof cleaning - all of which might be issues you are faced with.

By considering safely, you are ensuring that gutter cleaning and maintenance don't mean an unnecessary unforeseeable risk - and that the results will mean longer lasting, leak proof gutters. Imagine the next time it rains; you can enjoy the soft patter of rain drops on your roof, knowing they will all find their way somewhere far away from your home's walls and foundation.