Artifact: 008.6 Diagnostician Interview

Describe: My diagnostician revealed what a typical day is like as a diagnostic specialist. She said sometimes days are filled with contacting necessary participates who are involved in a suspected child’s life who have been referred for a comprehensive evaluation. There are lots of phone calls and emails to respond to in addition to scheduling ARDs, attending ARDs, administering, scoring, and interpreting assessments. The most consuming she mentioned was writing reports because this is the final product of all the work that has been put in. She said she loves her role as a diagnostician. My interview with my campus diagnostician has enhanced my knowledge as an educational diagnostician.

Analyze: a. The importance of my interview has enhanced and defined my skills.
b. My desired position as a future independent contractor will enable me to fulfill my mission as a life-long learner.
c. My experiences and previous knowledge has been enhanced by my education, research in the case studies I have reviewed, and direct on the job training with special education children.

Appraise: My findings are very beneficial because partnerships with the parent, school and community need to be improved.

Transform: a. Insights I have gained include a heightened awareness of due process implications.
b. My future plans are directly on target with the need to provide quality, individualized, education services for special needs citizens and increase parent and community involvement.