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Periodization essay

*The Odd One*

I was born in Europe, Bulgaria to be exact. I was born January 21,1998, I grew up with a big family always having people around me. When I was 4 it was the summer of 2003 when my parents received a letter in the mail. I distinctly remember my dad looking like he just got hit by a baseball bat across the face, and my mom having a smile on her face. I finally went up to them and asked what was going on and what my parents told me changed my life forever. We were going to America, neither of my parents knew what it would be like there whether I would like it or not but they took the gamble, and I'm here I go to school, I have friends ,and I have a future. but how I get here that's a whole other story and I'll tell you my story, this is how the Age of the little one, The era of Awkward, and the Period of Change.

The age of the little one began when I was in 1st grade. I had just moved to America I didn't know anyone but the most surprising thing was I could speak English even though I only went to classes for a month. I was little back then and didn't understand a lot of things. But as time progressed I got used to living in America and speaking English for more than half of my day. In the 5th grade my parents decided we should go back to Bulgaria to visit which also included me missing school for a month, but that wasn't really a problem thanks to me being really young and we didn't have a lot of outside of class work. As 5th grade came to a close there was change I was growing and so came to be the era of Awkward.

The era of awkward began in 6th grade when I was starting to grow. I had some bad experiences during my 6th grade year. My brain sometimes would stop thinking and say to me "NO too much information I need a break" But me being a stupid 6th grader I didn't listen to my inner voice and so I would have times when I fell asleep and was groggy as the year came to an end and summer began. I began to think clearly again, training my brain by reading harder books. Summer soon came to an end as 7th grade began and I couldn't help but notice that since I had practiced reading that everything seemed so much easier I wouldn't go to school groggy or barely awake, I wouldn't get the "TOO MUCH" from my brain and I would go home happy. 7th grade year went quickly and summer came. I learned a new philosophy that summer "Inside good outside bad" I still live by that philosophy but not as dedicated as I was back then. August came and school started, It was a new school, new people, new teachers, So my brain said "okay its times to show them how stupid I can be" or so I thought it turned out to be exactly the opposite my brain got me through English with a 99% and I had regained faith that my brain didn't hate me as much as I thought. As 8th grade came to an end so did the era of awkward.

The next period is a special period because it leads into the present day and I believe it's a couple of the best times of my life This is the period of change. The period of change begins with me going into the 9th grade. It was the beginning of high school teachers began to expect more of us and life just seemed different. The school year went by fast and I found that a good thing I wanted to be in the bigger school I wanted better classes then I had. Summer began and so did summer school this was the 2nd year I believe this was the best summer of my life I made a lot of new friends some that are really awesome It was a great way to began my high school life. As high school began the period of change came to an end.

The age of the little one, the era of awkward, the period of change are all parts of my life that have shaped what my future will look like whether I will be successful or just another average Joe. The period of change has the biggest impact on my life because the summer before high school began was one of the best in my life I met so many new people that really are inspiring that are truly amazing friends. I know that with the years to come there will be times just as great but none will ever come to being as amazing as that one.