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Dear Professor Beavent:

I am taking this course because I am forever in search of new knowledge and challenges in life.

I live within the lands of the Yakima Indian Nation, and in a real sense I am a visitor and guest of the Yakima Indian People. Therefore, in respect and appreciation toward their way of life, I should make every endeavor possible to have an understanding of their social, economical, and political system.

In conclusion, as culture is the living history of a people and religion is the emotional thread that binds the heart and soul of a people, I believe that language is the verbal pathway which ties together the entire living system of a people. I am honored to have an opportunity to travel the pathway.

Sincerely,

Edward Charles James