

An autobiography is when a person tells the story of his or her life. ***A personal narrative is a true story about just one very important incident in a person’s life.*** The author may write about an experience or event from the past, a recent experience or something that happened to someone else, such as a parent or grandparent.

Qualities of a Narrative Essay:

-written from the 1st person ( using I)

-has a clear narrative structure of a beginning, middle and end

-reveals something about the person’s personality

-in addition to telling a story, a narrative essay also communicates a lesson learned

 **Tips on Writing Your Narrative**

-brainstorm ideas about experiences that you could write about

-select an experience and think about why the experience is significant

-complete your prewriting outline using the graphic organizer to help plan your writing. Try to slow down the action with a lot of description on your selected topic.

-include a beginning paragraph the grabs the attention of the reader.

-remember to “Show Don’t Tell”. Use your senses to recall the event. How did you feel at the time? Express your ideas in your voice.

- write in some dialogue

-The final paragraph, the conclusion, should reflect the writer’s new understanding, or the importance of the experience describe.

-Write your draft. Make your writing as clear as possible.

-Revise your draft by checking for powerful world choice, varied sentence beginnings and well organized thoughts.

-Edit your piece of writing for punctuation and spelling.

-Good Copy needs to be typed.

**Due Date:**

**Nov. 18, 2016**

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**“Organizing is what you do before you do something, so that when you do it, it’s not all messed up.”**

Winnie-The -Pooh