

Eng 9 Q1 Personal Narrative

Prompt: Write about a special moment in your life.

Follow the steps below to complete your essay:

1. Brainstorm special moments in your life.
2. Choose a moment that you can clearly remember.
3. Answer the 5's:
 - Who?
 - What?
 - When?
 - Where?
 - Why/How is this a special moment?

4. Decide if you will write about the moment in chronological order (start at beginning)

OR

if you will start in the middle of some action and then go back and fill the reader in.

5. Decide which moments you will

-- show (showing is to describe that part of the story in vivid detail, so the reader feels like he is in the story).

--tell (all stories have some parts that need to just be told to keep the story moving. These moments are not usually detailed, but instead almost summarized)

Click on weblinks to find examples of what show and tell writing looks like.

6. The last two or three paragraphs of the essay should explain HOW/WHY this moment is special to you.

7. Draft your essay in GOOGLEDPCS with the title Lastname Eng 9 Q1 and share it with Mrs. Botsford (lbotsford) or whatever writing teacher is assigned to you.

This is only a DRAFT. It is NOT the final copy.

8. Mrs. Botsford will then make comments on your draft. You are required to fix the draft, then check for spelling and grammar errors.

9. Submit the final, polished copy by copying and pasting it from Googledocs into Odyssey Writer.

10. The rubric will be located on our website www.khonlinewriting.weebly.com