

Personal Narrative Essay

English I

Technical Guidelines:

- 500-700 words
- Typed:
 - Size 12 font
 - 1" margins
 - Double spaced
 - Times New Roman (or similar) font
- Choose one of five topics:
 - Someone who has influenced my life
 - A challenge I have overcome
 - An experience which proved to be a turning point in my life
 - My philosophy/approach to life (This I Believe...)
 - My greatest strength/my greatest weakness
- Tell your reader about yourself, explaining who you are based on this topic
- Write your own title

Organization Guidelines:

- Your essay should have a beginning, middle, and end
- Introduction: your topic should be clear
- Story: explain your answer to the question
- Conclusion: How do we know you further? (Based on your "story")

Other Notes:

- First person is okay (I, me, my, etc.)
- May be written in past tense
- Use sensory details! Description is good!