

Project: Narrative Essay

Think about a place that has made a strong impact on your life. **Write a vivid narrative essay that describes the experience in this place and the impression it left on you.** (Think back to the four stories in this unit and how they used imagery and descriptive language to relay a story. Use figurative language and imagery in your essay as you write.)

Elements of a Successful Narrative Essay

- Focus Reader's Attention: Use an attention grabber in your introduction.
- Thesis: Introduce the main subject of your essay, which is the specific experience you are describing and what it taught you.
- Supporting Details: Use specific details and imagery to help the reader successfully visualize the event or place about which you are writing.
- Concluding Paragraph: Present the main lesson or what you learned from your experience
- Organization: Present your ideas in a logical format with an introduction, supporting details, and a conclusion.
- Vivid Details: Be sure to write with vivid description in order to keep your audience's attention and convey a tone.

Pre-Writing:

Where are some important places in your life?

What memories are associated with these places?

What are some stories you could tell?

Make sure your story has a

-Beginning

-Make sure to introduce your reader to the setting, characters... and start to introduce the

Conflict in your story.

-Middle- this is when the major action of your story takes place.

-End- this is when you wrap up your story and bring it to an end. Think about what lesson you want your reader to learn at the end of your story? Make sure that lesson is clear by the end of the story.