**NARRATIVE WRITING ASSIGNMENT**

Think of one important experience that had a profound effect on the person you are today. Write a 1 page (250 word) narrative essay that reflects on this experience. This assignment is to take the form of a personal story, but make sure what you are writing about has relevance to other people besides you. Use the following criteria when completing this assignment:

* Use sensory details and local colour
* It should contain an implied thesis
* sentence variety and paragraphs
* Use metaphor and simile

Remember, it should be obvious to the reader after reading your assignment why this experience holds such importance in your memories. Allow them share the experience!

**Narrative Essay Evaluation**

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| **Content**   * shows a high degree of insight into the importance of an experience * uses narrative to tell an engaging story with supporting details * unified by theme and tone * contains a clear implied thesis | /10 |
| **Style**   * uses an engaging first-person point of view and conversational style * body paragraphs are developed with original description and details * transitions between ideas and paragraphs create a sense of coherence or “flow” in the essay * a clear method of organization is evident | /5 |
| **Emphasis**   * good sentence variety and vivid precise diction * A minimum of 3 rhetorical devices are used in the essay and add greater emphasis to the main argument | /3 |
| **Mechanics**   * spelling, punctuation and sentence structure are applied with a high degree of accuracy and effectiveness | /2 |
| Total: | /20 |

**Comments:**