

When others critique your personal narrative essay, have them address the following:

- Is the topic interesting? Does the introductory paragraph whet your appetite for the rest of the paper?
- Does the narration have a theme (or implied thesis)? Does the essay express a point rather than simply recount a story?
- Does the narration focus on important scenes? Is the pacing effective?
- Does the narrative include vivid details to describe people, places and events?
- What do you like best about the essay?
- Offer suggestions for improvement.

Evaluate the processes you used in creating your essay, incorporating the questions below. **Submit this self-evaluation with your final draft.**

Self-Evaluation Questions

1. Did you stick with your original topic or did you change it along the way? Why?
2. What problems did you encounter during the process of creating the essay?
3. List two of the most important changes you made. Why did you make them?
4. What part of your essay are you most proud of? Why?

Do not lose these questions. You will submit a self-evaluation routinely with each major composition.