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# Personal Narratives Scoring Guide

	Below Basic (1 point)	Basic (2 points)	Proficient (3 points)	Advanced (4 points)	Score	
<b>Organization</b>	<b>No plan</b>	<b>Attempts a plan</b>	<b>Clear plan</b>	<b>Well-developed plan</b>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> No clear introduction <input type="checkbox"/> No clear beginning, middle, and end of narrative <input type="checkbox"/> Events mixed up; not clear <input type="checkbox"/> No or very few details and descriptions <input type="checkbox"/> No conclusion; conclusion does not make sense	<input type="checkbox"/> Some attempt at an introduction with purpose/theme <input type="checkbox"/> Simple beginning, middle, and end of narrative <input type="checkbox"/> Some events out of order; some events missing <input type="checkbox"/> A few details and descriptions <input type="checkbox"/> Some attempt at a conclusion and to stay on the theme.	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction tells the purpose/theme for sharing the narrative <input type="checkbox"/> The beginning, middle, and end of the narrative are clear <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative transitions help organize the events <input type="checkbox"/> Details and descriptions make the narrative interesting and easy to read <input type="checkbox"/> The conclusion reminds the reader of the theme/purpose of the narrative	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction presents the purpose/theme in an interesting way <input type="checkbox"/> The beginning, middle, end of narrative described very well <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative transitions used very well to organize events <input type="checkbox"/> Details and descriptions "bring the story to life" and make it fun to read. <input type="checkbox"/> The conclusion presents the theme/purpose again in a creative way.		
	<b>Content</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not enough detail and description of characters and events <input type="checkbox"/> Words and sentences do not make sense <input type="checkbox"/> No narrative to support the theme/purpose	<input type="checkbox"/> Some details and descriptions of characters and events <input type="checkbox"/> Some words and sentences repeat, wander, or are confusing <input type="checkbox"/> Some attempt to share a narrative to support the theme/purpose	<input type="checkbox"/> Good details and descriptions of characters and events <input type="checkbox"/> Good word choice and sentences make the narrative clear and interesting <input type="checkbox"/> Clear attempt to share a narrative to support the theme/purpose	<input type="checkbox"/> Very good details and descriptions of characters and events <input type="checkbox"/> Strong word choice and well-written sentences make the narrative very interesting <input type="checkbox"/> Strong connection between the narrative and the theme/purpose of the writing	
	<b>Style</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No clear purpose for the personal narrative <input type="checkbox"/> Verbs and descriptors unclear; hard to understand <input type="checkbox"/> Sentences do not make sense	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal narrative not developed but shows some purpose for writing <input type="checkbox"/> A few good action verbs and descriptions <input type="checkbox"/> Attempts to write good sentences	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal narrative shows a clear purpose for writing <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative uses some action verbs and has some good description <input type="checkbox"/> Good sentences and/or dialogue; variety in sentences	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal narrative leaves no doubt about the purpose for the writing <input type="checkbox"/> Narrative and events explained with many action verbs and good descriptors <input type="checkbox"/> Sentences are well thought-out; dialogue (if used) is effective	
<b>Neat + CUPS*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Filled with errors in CUPS <input type="checkbox"/> No paragraphing <input type="checkbox"/> Hard to read; messy	<input type="checkbox"/> Several errors in CUPS <input type="checkbox"/> Attempts to incorporate paragraphs <input type="checkbox"/> Readable but not neat	<input type="checkbox"/> A few errors in CUPS <input type="checkbox"/> Looks like a personal narrative with several paragraphs <input type="checkbox"/> Neat and enjoyable to read	<input type="checkbox"/> Hardly any errors in CUPS <input type="checkbox"/> Clearly a personal narrative with several well-organized paragraphs <input type="checkbox"/> Obvious effort by the writer to make the personal narrative easy and fun to read		
* Neat = Neatness    C = Capitalization    U = Usage    P = Punctuation    S = Spelling					<b>Total Score (16 possible)</b>	