



TOOL// Personal Anecdote Assessment Gr. 7/8

What is the tool?

An assessment tool for a summative personal anecdote writing task.

What is it used for?

This tool provides students with specific, clear, criteria for success in completing the task. As well, the teacher uses the tool to assess student performance.

How do you use it?

The students are given the success criteria to guide their self-assessment of their work so they can improve their piece of writing before submitting it.

The tool can also be used for peer assessment of the student's finished piece.

The tool not only provides an overall level for the assessment, but allows the teacher to see how well the student is self-assessing and responding to feedback.

Personal Anecdote Summative Name: _____

Writing Trait and Success Criteria	With Limited Effectiveness	With Some Effectiveness	Effectively	With a High Degree of Effectiveness
Ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brainstorming reflects range of ideas over the course of life • 1 SPECIFIC incident is chosen • Additional brainstorming is done around the incident chosen and what senses were experienced 				
Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas are separated into paragraphs based on the rules discussed in class • Each paragraph contains one cohesive ideas • 1-3 paragraphs in length 				
Sentence Fluency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes a range of both simple and compound sentences • Variety of sentence starters 				
Voice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes personal details that draw the reader into the writing • Evidence of sensory experience (what was seen, heard, smelled, etc) • Includes a “punch line” that reveals irony, humour, amusing point of the anecdote (can be something someone says) 				
Conventions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper capitalization • Proper use of commas • Complete sentences • Proper use of quotations 				
Word Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoids repetition • Figurative language (includes at least one metaphor AND one simile to make something more appealing for the reader) 				
Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title grabs reader’s attention and is centred at the top of the page • Author of the piece is clear • There is evidence of all of the pieces of the writing process • Final copy is typed and 12 or 14 font size 				

Next Steps:

- You need to spend more time thoroughly going through your rough copy with the success criteria in order to be sure that your work is done to the best of your ability
- Consider revisiting your brainstorming on many occasions to fully develop the idea before beginning to write