

AUTOBIOGRAPHY DIRECTIONS

DUE DATE: APRIL 24, 2015

ROUGH DRAFTS DUE DATES:

BIRTH TO FIRST BIRTHDAY	MARCH 10
TODDLER YEARS	MARCH 17
PRIMARY YEARS (K,1,2)	MARCH 24
INTERMEDIATE YEARS (3,4,5)	MARCH 31
NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE	APRIL 14

YOUR AUDIENCE:

Your family, friends and teacher will be reading your autobiography.

YOUR PURPOSE FOR WRITING:

To help others understand you better and for you to have a written history of your life.

THE FOCUS OF YOUR AUTOBIOGRAPHY:

Your autobiography should include key events for each year of your life, and people who have influenced you at different stages. We will brainstorm in class possible topics to write on for each year of your life.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each topic needs at least two well-written pages with paragraphs (6-8 sentences) describing highlights, hobbies, sports, school days, pet(s) and/or any major event like the birth of a sibling.
2. Pictures should be mounted on the opposite page for each topic. Can be one or a collage of

many pictures. Captions need to be written under each picture.

Pictures can be scanned and not originals.

3. Design a sturdy cover or use a photo album so that you can continue adding pages!
Remember to include a title that reflects who you are. Be creative!
4. Include a title page inside the album.
Title
Your Name
Due Date
5. Check spelling and grammar—they count too!
6. Narration needs to be handwritten. Can be cursive or printing. Legibility is important!
7. Parent involvement should be limited to providing information for the earlier years, helping locate pictures, and proofreading final work. Students need to write their own story and cut, mount and label pictures.
8. Please make a photo copy of your written story (not pictures) to be handed in with your completed autobiography. This will be added to your writing portfolio. Failure to have copies on the due date April 24th will result in this project losing 5% each day it is late.
9. Rough draft work should be presented in a neat manner- no folded pages or crumpled work.