

Storytelling

(Various things writers can write about)

Narrative Essay

- An experience or event from the past;
- Something that happened to somebody else;
- A recent or ongoing event or experience

INTRODUCTION

USE THE "HOOK". Start the essay with the statement to catch your reader's attention, for ex. the questions, fact, definition etc.

DESCRIBE THE SCENE. Inform the reader on important details of your essay like: Who are the main personalities? What/where/when is taking place? Is it a true a story that happened to you or to another person/or is it fiction?

THESIS STATEMENT. Start your TS from description of events of the story: "It was cold and dark when I started down the path", offer a moral or lesson learned from the experience: "I will never go skiing alone again" or identification of the connection of your topic to a universal experience: "Journeys bring both adventures and hardships to overcome"

BODY PARAGRAPH

GOOD STORY TELLING. Include as many details as possible to give a full description of the event. Use all five senses to add emotions/details on what you have felt. heard. saw during the event.

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE. The events you describe should serve the purpose of learning the lesson out of the experience. Prove to the reader the significance of the event and its impact on you.

TIME CONSISTENCY. Follow time chronology: from beginning to the end to ensure the reader understands clearly the sequence of actions in the event.

TRANSITIONS. Provide connections among paragraphs and ideas by using transitional words and phrases.

CONCLUSION

Answer the specific questions such as: What are the lessons you learned through the event? How did the event change you? What is the influence on you/your life?
Include some analysis/ reflection of the significance of the event to the writer

For more resources you may also visit:

- http://essayinfo.com/essays/narrative_essay.php
- <http://www.roanestate.edu/owl/describe.html>
- <http://www.factmonster.com/homework/writingskills4.html>