**Moments that Matter**

Narrative writing tells a story or gives an account of something that has happened. The purpose is to recount a story grounded in personal experience or the writer’s imagination.

You first brainstormed a list of moments that mattered in your life. Step two was to expand upon a couple of those items in a paragraph. The third step is to choose ONE of your expansions and think about how you can make the paragraph a piece of a whole story.

**Requirements:**

1. Include setting details
2. Use first person point of view
3. Include dialogue
4. “Show” the reader details about characters, circumstances, and events
5. Employ strategies such as flashback, foreshadowing, figurative language, tension, and suspense to develop the story
6. Contain a beginning, middle, and an end to your story. Present the information in a logical order.
7. Include an interesting/ catchy title
8. Vary sentence structure and word choice
9. Proofread for errors in grammar and mechanics

10.Convey to the reader why this event is memorable/why it matters to you

 