

Name: _____

Generating Memories:

- Students will reflect on the questions that will help them write a memoir that says, "This is who I am."
- Students will brainstorm and create a list of memories that can be written as short stories.
- STUDENTS ARE NOT TO WRITE THE STORIES TODAY...THEY ARE JUST CREATING A LIST OF IDEAS OF STORIES THAT THEY MAY WANT TO WRITE.
- Students will choose several stories from their lists and create a diagram or picture filled with tiny details of the memory or story.
- All of this work should be completed in the student's notebook.

1) What matters most to me?

- a. Create a list of at least three things that matter to me most.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

2) What kind of a person am I?

- a. Create a list of at least three things that describe what kind of person I am.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

3) What are some challenges that I have faced in my life?

- a. Create a list of at least three challenges that I have faced in my life.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

4) What are some “firsts” that were memorable to me?

Examples:

- a. First time fishing**
- b. First time hunting**
- c. First time swimming**
- d. First time in the snow**
- e. First time at school**
- f. Create a list of at least three “firsts” that were memorable to me.**
- g. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

5) What are some places that are important in my life?

- a. Create a list of at least three places that are important in my life.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

6) Who are some people that are important in my life?

- a. Create a list of at least three people that are important in my life.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

7) What are some goals that are important in my life?

- a. Create a list of at least three goals that are important in my life.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**

8) What are some values that are important in my life?

- a. Create a list of at least three values that are important in my life.**
- b. And then write suggestions for stories that relate to these topics.**