

	4 (Advanced)	3 (Proficient)	Student Score	Teacher Score
Memorable Moment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Is my memoir focused on moments that are significant to my life? *Is my topic a universal truth allowing my reader to identify to my story? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Is my memoir focused on moments that are somewhat significant to my life? *Is the topic of my memoir a truth significant to me, the author? 		
Structure-Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Have I clearly "shown" attitudes and feelings numerous times through the thoughts, actions, and dialogue of the characters? *Have I purposefully included lots of rich detail related to my theme recreating one or more events or moments, including description, dialogue, imagery? *Are all ideas carefully placed allowing the reader to easily follow my memoir? *Does my memoir reflect understanding/identity, and/or a strong indication throughout the narrative of the meanings worked out? *Does my memoir clearly "show" how the learning changed my life? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Are my attitudes and beliefs before the experience evident? *Do my attitudes and beliefs occur numerous times through the thoughts and the actions of the characters? *Are specific moments purposefully retold in some detail? *Are most ideas carefully placed to allow the reader to easily follow my memoir? *Have I included a statement of my learning, but not fully explored or worked them out? *Is it clear how the learning changed my life, despite some of the imprecise word choice I have selected? 		
Style and Technique <i>External and Internal Story</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Do I have an external story that clearly moves the story forward? *Have I included an internal story that clearly depicts how I felt about the external events? *Have I "shown" the significance of the events through engaging details, compelling language, and a balance of action, thoughts, and dialogue? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Do I have an external story that moves the story forward? *Do I have an internal story that shows how I felt about the external events? *Do I "show" the significance of the events through details, compelling language, and a balance of action, thoughts, and dialogue? 		
Connections Between Events and Meaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Have I clearly developed the connection between my events and the meaning (big idea, or theme) of my memoir? *Have I often included metaphors that represent the big idea, meaning, or theme that advance my story forward? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Have I included both events and meaning (big idea, or theme), but are some of the connections unclear? *Have I attempted to include metaphors to represent and advance the big idea, meaning, or theme of my story? 		
Style and Fluency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *How does my word choice impact my reader? *Have I experimented with words and/or used figurative language and/or imagery appropriately for my memoir's purpose? *Have I used a variety of sentence structures? *Is my writing readable, neat, and nearly error-free, any errors do not distract from the content? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *How does my word choice impact my reader? *Is my word choice appropriate for my memoir? *Have I tried at least one of the following by experimenting with words and/or used figurative language and/or imagery for my memoir's purpose? *Do I have accurate sentence structure? *Is my writing readable, neat, and nearly error-free, leaving little or no distraction from the content? 		