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Personal Narrative: Secondary

Supports thesis statement with supporting evidence.

Ending concludes the story.

Uses charts, maps and graphs to convey information.

Describes the writer's feelings in the past.

Uses a variety of compare/contrast words and phrases.

Concludes with a paragraph that sums up the differences/ similarities.

Describes one incident important to the writer.

Identifies the setting and the people involved in the incident.

Describes writer's feelings now.

Proposes logical steps to carry out the solution. Uses an appropriate level of conventions: sentence structure, grammar and mechanics.

Uses descriptive writing that includes sensory detail and figurative language.

Is organized in a logical way.

Concludes with a resolution of the conflict.

Uses dialogue to retell the incident.

The beginning captures the readers interest.

Provides thoughtful interpretations of the text.

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Understanding the Criteria For an Personal Narrative Essay

	Criteria	My interpretation
Organization and Content	The beginning of the essay captures the reader's interest.	
	The composition is about a single incident that is of personal significance to the author.	
	The essay describes the setting and the people involved in the incident.	
	The writer describes his/her feelings during the incident.	
	The writer uses dialogue in re-telling the incident.	
	The writer uses appropriate level of vocabulary, sensory detail and/or figurative language.	
	The writer tells how he/she feels about the incident now.	
	The ending concludes the story.	
	The essay is clearly organized.	
	The writer uses an appropriate level of conventions, such as sentence structure, grammar and mechanics.	