**Writing a Memoir**

**Assignment: Choose one of the topics listed below or create your own, and write about this particular incident in your life.**

**Due date: Friday, February 6th**

**Paper requirements:**

**• The paper must be one full page typed or two pages hand-written**

**-typed, double-spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font, or hand-written neatly**

**• You need to include a title for your paper, so please be creative. The title should NOT be underlined**

**• You must include all process, including brainstorming activities, any rough drafts and your final copy. (Staple all supportive materials to the back of the final copy.)**

**• The memoir should use specific, creative language and description including imagery and other poetic devices**

Possible topics:

• Remember a time when you got in trouble for something you had already been told not to do? • Remember a time when you broke something that belonged to someone else? • Remember a trip that you would not want to have to take again?

• Remember a party you didn’t want to go on to begin with? • Remember a time when you got sick at a very inconvenient time? • Remember a birthday or a holiday you would like (or not like) to live over again? • Remember a time when you got lost or separated from your family or friends? • Remember a time when you got locked out of where you needed to be? • Remember a time when your first impression of someone turned out to be completely wrong? • Remember a time when you learned something from a child? • Remember a problem with a haircut?...make-up?...an article of clothing? • Remember a time when you almost won, but not quite? • Remember a time when you were tricked or lied to? • Remember your most embarrassing moment? • Remember a time when you tried to cook something and it didn’t turn out?

• When you had to move from one home to another • To a movie when you were a child • On a walk around the neighborhood or rural area where you lived as a child • On a visit to your favorite childhood store • On a shopping trip with a parent, another family member, or a friend • On a visit to the doctor’s office • To summer camp • Back home for a childhood holiday meal • To your childhood hiding place or special thinking place

