

### Sensory Language Personal Narrative

Criteria	1 - Needs Improvement	2 - Developing	3 - Proficient	4 - Advanced	5 - Exemplary
<b>Topic Sentence</b>	No clear topic sentence.	Topic sentence is unclear.	Topic sentence is clear.	Topic sentence is engaging.	Topic sentence is strong and captivating.
<b>Body Sentences</b>	Fewer than 4 sentences.	4 sentences, but lacks detail.	4 sentences with some details.	4 detailed sentences.	More than 4 detailed sentences with rich content.
<b>Sensory Language</b>	No sensory language used.	Limited sensory language.	Some sensory details used.	Good use of sensory language.	Excellent and vivid sensory language throughout.
<b>Concluding Sentence</b>	No conclusion provided.	Conclusion is unclear.	Conclusion summarizes well.	Conclusion is effective.	Conclusion is strong and reinforces the narrative.
<b>Overall Coherence</b>	Thoughts are disorganized.	Some organization, but confusing.	Mostly clear and organized.	Clear and well-organized.	Exceptionally clear and cohesive narrative.
<b>Spelling/Grammar &amp; Handwriting</b>	6 or more spelling/grammar mistakes; illegible handwriting	4-5 spelling/grammar mistakes; handwriting is somewhat illegible	2-3 spelling/grammar mistakes; handwriting is mostly legible	2-3 spelling/grammar mistakes; handwriting is clear	1 or no spelling/grammar mistakes; handwriting is clear and neat

**virus, n.** a tiny creature that infects a living organism  
with a disease

**contagious, adj.** capable of being passed from one  
person to another

**vaccine, n.** medicine given to prevent catching a  
disease

**crippled, adj.** disabled, unable to walk normally

**Homecoming, n.** fall celebration at many American

high schools and colleges

**float, n.** a decorated sculpture or scene in a p

**buckled, v.** bent or collapsed

**limp, adj.** wilted, not firm

**woozy, adj. dizzy, weak**

**spasm, n. violent muscle contraction**

**spinal tap, n. a medical test taking fluid from around  
the spinal cord**

**diagnosis, n. specific disease or other cause of an  
illness**

**contaminate, v. to infect**

**glisten, v. to shine isolation**

**ward, n. section of a hospital where infectious patients  
stay**

**chronological, adj. organized in order of time, the order  
in which something happened**

