

Personal Narrative

Organizing and Planning

- ✓ Begin by capturing the reader's attention in an unusual way. Surprise the reader:
 - ask a question
 - make a vivid description
 - pose a tantalizing problem
- ✓ Stay focused on your topic. Include only those details that enrich the narrative or that the reader needs to understand the narrative.
- ✓ Don't assume that the reader knows what you know. Make sure you identify who and what the personal narrative is about and where and when it takes place.

