

## Memor: Encyclopedia of an Ordinary Life

### Standards:

**3.1.a.** Write (narratives) with a clear focus, coherent organization, sufficient elaboration, and detail

**3.1.a.ii. and iv.** use narrative techniques: dialogue, pacing, description, reflection; Use precise words and phrases, sensory details to convey a vivid picture; to develop experiences, events, and characters

**3.3.** Make revisions and use Standard English Conventions in written language

### Guiding Questions:

- How do I reflect on experiences in my life?
- How have experiences in my life shaped me?
- How can I write my stories for an audience in a descriptive, engaging way?

### Directions:

Step 1: Read and listen to samples of encyclopedia entries.

Step 2: Choose FIVE symbols that you think represent your life story. These may include places, items, or people.

Step 3: For each symbol write a paragraph in narrative form. Tell the story of that symbol using first-person point of view.

Step 4: Alphabetize your entries.

Step 5: Revise your writing by sharing it with a partner.

### Format:

- Each symbol will act as a subheading for your story. The description of the symbol will be at least a paragraph long (7-10 sentences).
- first-person point of view
- subheadings: each symbol will be a different subheading in bold.
- alphabetical order
- 12-point font; 1" margins; correct heading; title: "Memor: Encyclopedia of (*your name here*)"
- due: