

Grade 9-10

Biographical/Autobiographical Compositions

An Effective Teacher

BIOGRAPHICAL ESSAY: An Effective Teacher

Writing Directions: Write an essay about a teacher who was unusually effective, focusing on qualities that contributed to this effectiveness. Explain how this teacher influenced your learning. Make sure that you describe him or her in enough detail so that even a reader who has never met this teacher could feel that he or she knows this teacher. Describe both the teacher and his or her influence on you.

STATE STANDARD: Writing Applications, 2.1

Write biographical or autobiographical narratives or short stories:

- a. Relate a sequence of events and communicate the significance of the events to the audience.
- b. Locate scenes and incidents in specific places,
- c. Describe with concrete sensory details the sights, sound, and smells, of a scene and the specific actions, movements, gestures, and feelings of the characters; use interior monologue to depict the characters' feelings.
- d. Pace the presentation of actions to accommodate changes in time and mood,
- e. Make effective use of descriptions of appearance, images, shifting perspectives, and sensory details.

DISTRICT STANDARD: Goal 5,10.3

Produce an essay from a prompt in which precise language, sentence variety, action verbs, appropriate modifiers, and active rather than passive voice is used.

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