Personal Narratives Checklist

Name _____________________________________________________ Date ____________

Title ______________________________________________________________________

1. My narrative has a strong lead. __ __ __
2. My narrative focuses on one event in my life. __ __ __
3. I included specific details about the time, place, and people involved. __ __ __
4. I included dialogue or expressed what people said. __ __ __
5. My narrative is logically sequenced. __ __ __
6. My narrative uses sequence words. __ __ __
7. I included my own thoughts and feelings. __ __ __
8. My narrative has a strong ending. __ __ __
9. I told my story using a kid-friendly voice. __ __ __
10. I used words to explain how strongly I feel about this event. __ __ __
11. I used words to explain how much I know about this event. __ __ __
12. I used describing words, including adjectives and adverbs, that show, not tell my story. __ __ __
13. I used idioms to make my narrative interesting. __ __ __

Quality Writing Checklist
I looked for and revised . . .

incomplete sentences. __ __ __
subject/verb agreement. __ __ __
spelling. __ __ __
punctuation (quotation marks in dialogue). __ __ __
capitalization (proper nouns). __ __ __
sentences that start with And or But. __ __ __
indented paragraphs. __ __ __

* Confer with your teacher about checklist items you are not sure you have addressed.