

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In the next few weeks, our class will begin a unit called MyStory. In this unit, we will be working with students to assist them in telling the story about their life's journey so far. We will be highlighting events from their early childhood and infants/toddlers, school years and young-adult experiences. The information gathered in this process will then be shared through essay writing and in opportunities to give voice to their own life experiences.

We have provided students a questionnaire, which contains prompts to guide their thoughts as they reflect on specific information that they want to share. It is our hope that you will be able to assist your student at home in recalling those experiences, and that we will be able to build on individual stories in the classroom setting. We see this opportunity as a shared experience between the staff, students and caregivers, but want to ensure that our students are able to independently communicate their own perspectives and deliver the information in whatever way works best for them and their communication style.

Please see the attached questionnaire and follow the prompts with your student as their homework assignment. We are excited to hear about any of the details from their personal history and will make sure that we keep any information confidential if so indicated by you. Thank you in advance for your participation in creating a rich and valuable perspective on the life of your student. This information will be kept in their developing portfolio, and the final copy of their written essay will be sent home.

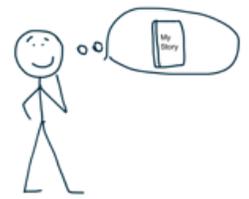
Please indicate below any information that you would like to share or anything that you would prefer to keep confidential.

All the best!

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Information from Parent/Guardian:

# MyStory Questionnaire–Assisted by Parent/Caregiver



Use this fillable form to gather information about your life:

Past, Present, and Future. You will have an opportunity to use this information in your "All About Me" narrative.

**Name**

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**Date**

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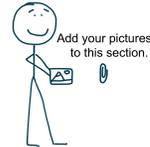
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## Early Childhood Years...

Please describe yourself as a baby or toddler.

**Where were you born?**

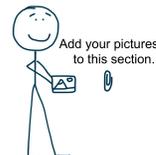
**Attach a map of the place you were born after this section.**



**When were you born?**

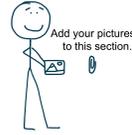
**What were you like as a baby?**

**Attach a baby picture to this section!  
People will love seeing this.**



**What were your favorite things as a baby?**

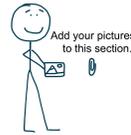
**Attach a picture of your favorite toy as a kid after this section.**



### **Elementary School Years...**

Describe what you remember about pre-school and elementary school here.

**What elementary school did you go to?**



**What do you remember about elementary school?**

**Attach an elementary school picture to share and remember where you went to school.**



### **Junior High Years...**

Describe your junior high/middle school years here:

**What was the name of your junior high or middle school?**

**What was your favorite thing about junior high school?  
...and least favorite?**

**Did you have a favorite teacher?**

**Favorite subject in junior high?**

**MyTransition from junior high to high school**

**Add a junior high picture, too!**



**High School Years**

Write about your high school experiences here.

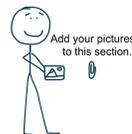
**What high school did you go to?**

**What was your sophomore year like?**

**What was your junior year like? Or, what do you hope it will be like?**

**What was your senior year like? Or, what do you hope it will be like?**

**Attach a picture from high school...this could be a dance, sports or the school itself. \***



**MyFuture Goals**

Write about two goals you have for the future here.

**Goal #1**

**Goal #2**

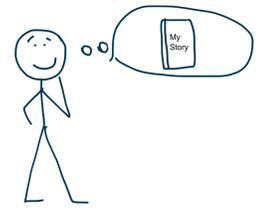
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# MyStory – Narrative

Use this form to write information about your life's journey.

Describe your past, present and future goals. This will help you tell your own story.



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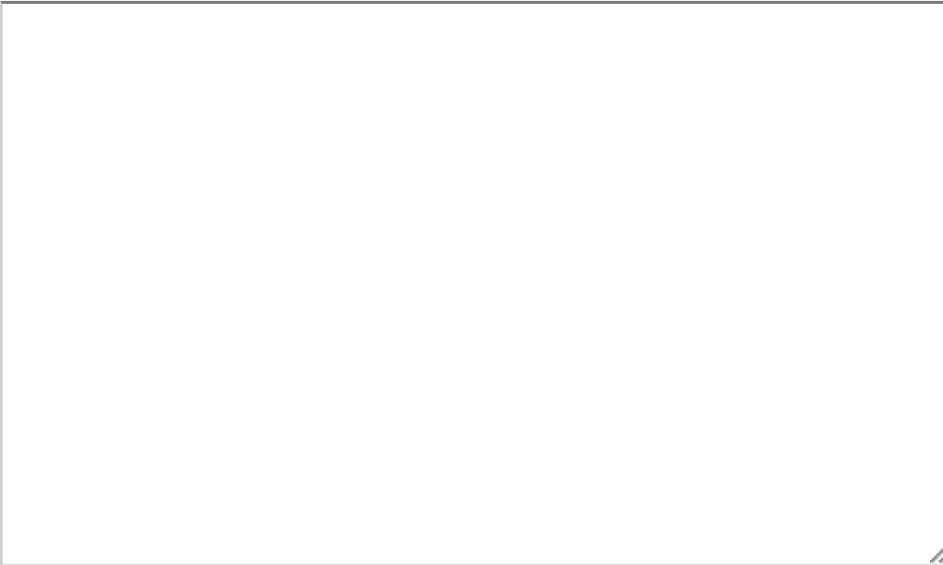
## Your Personal Introduction – Practice Paragraph

## Your Past Information – Practice Paragraph

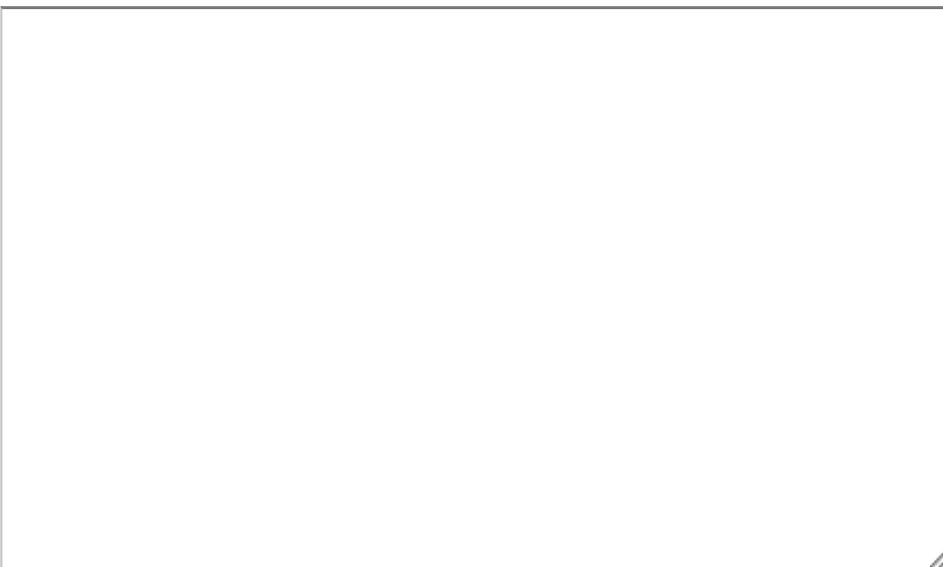
**Your Present Situation – Practice Paragraph**



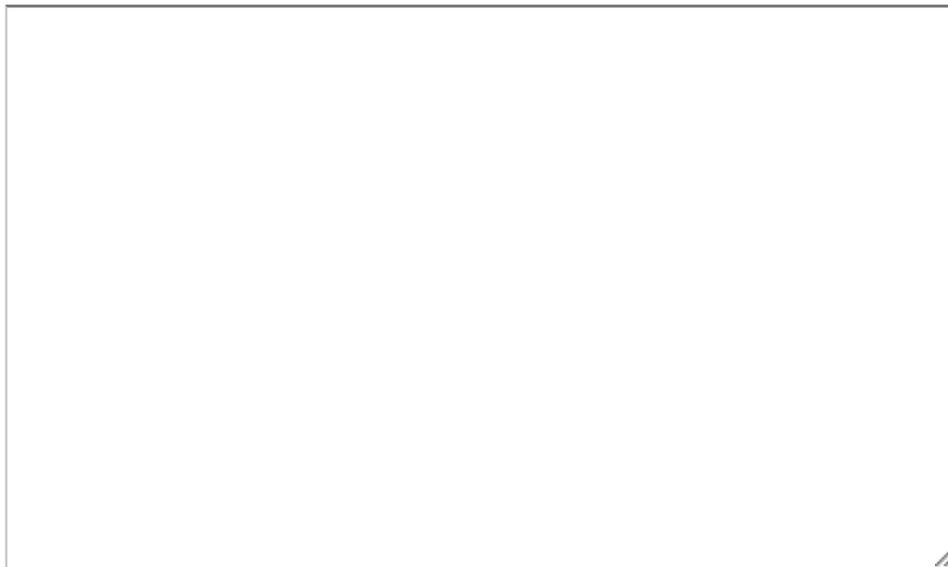
**Your Hopes for the Future – Practice Paragraph**



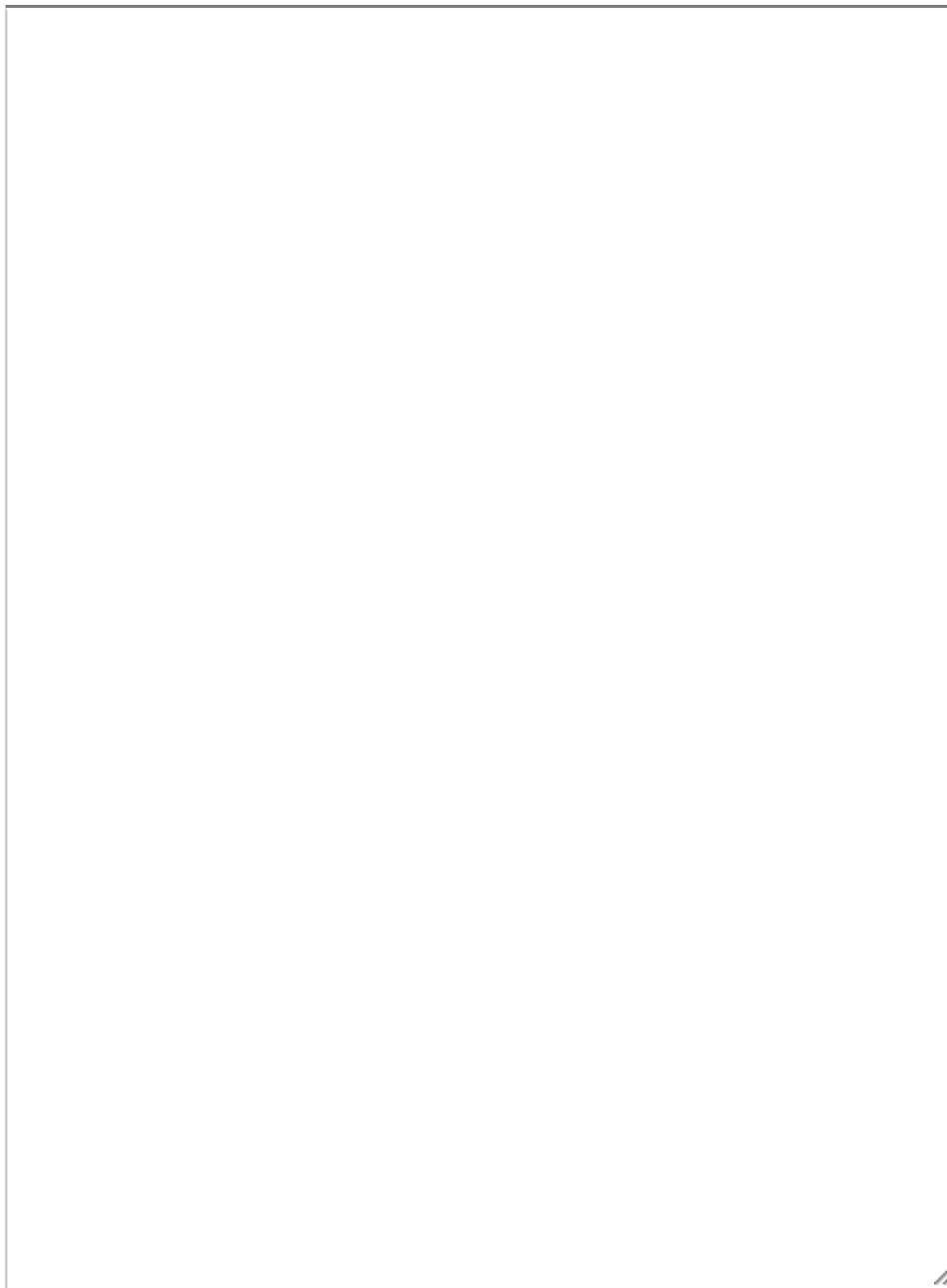
**Your Strengths and Weaknesses – Practice Paragraph**



Rough Draft: Use this section to write your rough draft

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**Final Draft of MyStory Essay**

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for writing the final draft of the MyStory Essay. It occupies the lower half of the page.