Set Goals for Writing

You are going to write a personal narrative. A personal narrative tells a story from the author's point of view.

- 1. Be sure your personal narrative includes
 - a story that tells how you made the world a better place
 - a beginning, a middle, and an end
 - specific details
 - relevant details
 - correct spelling, capitalization, and punctuation
- 2. Be sure you follow each step of the writing process.

Write your own goals.

Goal 1: _____

Goal 2: ____

Why are these your goals?

Goal 1:_____

Goal 2: _____

Develop an Idea for Your Narrative

Choose an idea for your personal narrative. Then ask yourself the questions in the chart below and record your answers. Be sure to provide specific and relevant details.

My Idea: _____

What did you do to make the world a better place?		
Where did this happen?		
When did this happen?	2	
Why did this happen?		

Organize Your Personal Narrative

You will write a personal narrative. The main character is YOU. Think about your story idea. Then answer the questions in the chart below.

Beginning	What do you want the reader to know about you?	
Middle	Add specific and relevant details. Who did you help? How did you help? Where did you help? Why did you help?	
End	How did your action make the world a better place?	

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Based on your classmates' feedback, circle **YES** if the answer to the question is yes. Circle **NO** if you still need to work on that element.

		X
Does my narrative need more information? If yes, add words, phrases, or sentences to explain ideas better.	YES	NO
Does my narrative have information that does not support the central idea? If yes, delete words, phrases, or sentences that do not belong.	YES	NO
Are my ideas clear? If no, rearrange words, phrases, or sentences so your readers can understand what you are saying.	YES	NO
Did I use the pronoun I? Did I capitalize it? If no, revise so that the narrative is told using the pronoun I.	YES	NO
Did I explain how one small action made the world better? If no, add details that are specific and relevant.	YES	NO

How will you fix it?

Pick one item in your writing that you want to improve. Explain how you will improve it.

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