

WRITING NON-FICTION

CREATIVE WRITING

WRITE WHAT YOU KNOW

- Write about something that you know
- Write about something that people can relate
- Write about something you are good at
- Don't be too personal
- Search any information on the subject
- Know the audience/readers

WRITING FOR MAGAZINES OR NEWSPAPER

- Familiarize yourself with the length and style of their articles
- Write in systematic organization (introduction/opening – body/content – ending/closing)
- Enrich it with data and facts
- Give "personal touch"
- Expand your idea

RELATING YOUR LIFE-STORY

- Do I have a fascinating tale to tell?
- Is my story unique?
- Do I need to confront my past in order to move on in my life?
- Do I wish to leave my family a record of my life?
- Do I want to give hope to others?
- Do I want to have my autobiography published?

NOT JUST AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

- Describes a practice which has been concealed from the public, e.g. sending orphanage children to Australia.
- Details the author's recovery from a potentially life-threatening illness or condition.
- It is an account of the author's experiences as a hostage, either political or during a crime.
- Tells the story of a kidnap or hijack victim.
- Gives information about a turning point in the author's
- life to which others can relate, e.g. nursing a disabled child.
- Details the sequence of events which led to the author setting up an international charitable organization

TELLING TRAVELLER'S TALES

- It is supposed to be about fun
- Avoid telling bad news, even when you should, provide with a bright sight
- It is not about a compilation of complaints
- Be descriptive
- Provide readers with tips and tricks

EVERYBODY LOVES FUNNY STORIES

(unless his life is much too funny that he can't take another joke)

- In every sad moment, there is a joke being played
- Find the irony of a situation
- Remember! Funny or witty, not gross!
- Still, consider your readers!

THINK OF

- Local issues that bother you and, likely, others
- Traumatic event that probably benefits others when told
- Hidden truth that will concern readers if revealed
- A tourist destination which is actually affordable, but most people think it is not
- Funny personal experience that others can relate

