In My Own Words: Personal Narratives

Take-Home Pages

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| NAME: | _ 4 |
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| DATE: | 5.1 Take-Home |
| Name Research | |
| Ask your family about your name, including any questions you a Some suggestions: Who named you? How was your name chose after anyone? Was your name chosen before or after you were be mean anything in English or another language? | n? Were you named |
| Notes: | |
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| NAME: | | | |
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Name Narrative Image

Answer the questions below. Your answers will help you decide on an image to accompany your name narrative.

| acc | company your name narrative. | | |
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| 1. | Place a check mark next to all of the statements that apply to you. | | |
| | ☐ I own an article of clothing with my name written on it. | | |
| | ☐ I know of a store or other business that uses my name. | | |
| | ☐ A celebrity whom I admire shares my name. | | |
| | ☐ A celebrity whom I don't admire shares my name. | | |
| | ☐ I can represent my name visually other than in writing. | | |
| | ☐ I can think of a fictional character who shares my name. | | |
| | \square I have a photograph of the person I was named after. | | |
| | ☐ There is a particular object I think of as connected to my name. | | |
| | ☐ There is a particular place I think of as connected to my name. | | |
| 2. | List three images that would make your name narrative more interesting to read. | | |
| | A. one that you might find on the Internet | | |
| | B. one that you might find at home (for example, a family photograph, an important document or a picture of an object in your home) | | |
| | C. one that you would create (for example, a drawing or collage) | | |
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Note: Just like some of Jennifer Lou's images, yours can include a language other than English.

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