

An Event That Changed My View (personal essay) Name: _____

Our experiences often shape the way that we see the world. Write a personal essay about a situation or event that changed your point of view in an important way. Make sure to develop your ideas with relevant details (facts, quotations, descriptions, definitions, comparisons, and examples).

Brainstorm topics: What events or time periods from your life suit this topic?

1)
2)
3)
4)

(Circle your final choice.)

Develop your topic: What are the details that will help you explain?
(Facts, quotations, descriptions, definitions, comparisons, and examples)

Essay Plan: How will you organize your ideas into body paragraphs?

Main idea for the whole essay (for your introduction and conclusion)
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Body paragraph 1 focuses on...

Body paragraph 2 focuses on...

Body paragraph 3 focuses on...
