

## Characteristics of a Memoir

1. A Memory; a description of an event from the past.
2. It focuses and reflects on the relationship between the writer and a particular person / animal, place, object, or event / experience.
3. Based on the truth.
4. Reveals the feelings & thoughts of the writer.
5. Has meaning; shows what the author learned from the experience  
This is the theme of the memoir!!!
6. Focuses on one Event; about one point in the author's life.
7. About the author's experience more than about the event itself.
8. It maintains a first person point of view.
9. Includes rich description and details.
10. Begins with an interesting lead and ends with a strong closing that ends the story.