

# WHEN YOU WRITE A PERSONAL ESSAY BE SURE TO:

- Open with an interesting beginning that makes your reader want to read on
- Write in your own natural voice
- Share your thoughts, impressions, opinions, or feelings with your reader
- State a main idea or theme that you would like to share with your audience
- Bring your main idea to life using vivid, lively details
- Use pronouns correctly
- Conclude with an ending that highlights the main focus of your personal essay

