

Author's Notes from Artifact Papers

#1

I came up with the idea because I thought to myself, 'what has been the constant in my lacrosse career, my passion?' I thought my stick. It has always been there so I figured it would be incredibly easy to write this paper and I was right. I figured I would come up with different memories I had with the stick and go from there. I was trying to show the reader what this artifact or object meant to me. A lot of people would just say it is just a stick but clearly it is a lot more to me.

I had my good friend proof read it and got some helpful information. She told me I should try to be more specific, so I put more detail. I think the phrase I put throughout the paper works well, "six-foot Dolomite Diamond and Edge X head." I didn't know if I was able to link the beginning of the paper and end of the paper well, what do you think? I'd like to know if I was able to hold the reader's attention throughout the whole paper or not. Thanks for reading!

#2

Authors Note

I came up with the idea because I don't have a lot of artifacts in general, especially not a whole lot I care about. I had recently had my phone stolen and realized what it meant to me, so it was an easy write.

I think this paper is Ok, I was having a hard time (like always) tying together the beginning and the end of the piece together. Like how to show how I felt about my phone then relate it to the story where my phone was stolen and how that impacted how I felt

about it. I think I could re-write it; it is definitely only first-draft material and I usually write my papers at least twice, but I am swamped in work this week.

Maybe think about some objects that don't necessarily have emotional attachments to you and see if you put thought into it and thought of all your memories it changes that for you. (I know, like your shoe) Did you pick up the message I was trying to share, a theme of the paper overall?

#3

Authors note

The history of this piece is hopefully made apparent in the actual paper. However the reason I started writing this piece in the first place is that, when I was trying to think of paper ideas I walked into my room and saw the my painting (the one I mentioned in my paper) just sitting their above my bed. I went about writing my piece using the most memorable events I remembered from my life. I had a hard time coming up with a lot of ideas for the memories from when I was a kid because I do not remember things that far back that well. So I decided to write more about the modern memories I have, most notably the ones from high school. The main reason for writing this piece was to show the reader that even if you do not have all that talent, if you try long enough, and if you choose to ignore common sense, you can do some pretty amazing things.

I think this paper was a vast improvement over my last one. That could be because that this paper was about something more personally meaningful to me, and something that was also in more recent memory. As far as theme goes I think this paper flowed pretty smoothly. In this paper I did, however use a lot more grammatical styles that I am not so familiar with, so the grammar aspect of the paper might not be as good as

usual. I think the only problem, if you can call it that is really tying in the theme of effort over talent throughout the story.

In reviewing this piece I would really appreciate if the readers of this paper would tell me exactly how apparent they think the theme was throughout different parts of the paper. Overall the most helpful advice would actually be the small things such as grammar and reworking the sentences to sound better.