**WRITING ASSIGNMENT:**

1. **Think of a person or an event that has made a significant difference in your life.**

Note: When you are brainstorming, be sure to focus on events or people who really matter to you. Is there someone in your life who has helped mold you into the individual you are today? Without them, you would not be the same person. Is there something that has happened to you recently or in your past that has changed you, changed your outlook on life, or changed the path on which you currently are? Without that particular event, you would be a different person. In other words, choose something important that you would feel comfortable describing in detail. Take this assignment seriously. This is a time for self-reflection…a time to ponder who or what has made you who you are today.

1. **Describe the person and your interaction with the individual –OR— describe the event in detail.**
2. **Provide the necessary background information in order for your audience to appreciate the significance of the person/event.**

Note: Include answers to the following questions:

(PERSON) When and how did you meet this person? How long have you know the person and in what capacity? What are the strengths and weaknesses of the person? How has the person influenced you and/or helped you?

(EVENT) When and where did the event occur (setting)? Describe the event in detail in sequential order; you may use flashbacks. What did you learn from the event? In what ways did the event change you as an individual?

1. **Explain how the person/event has changed you as a person and /or how the person/event has altered your perspective on life.**