

Personal Statement Walk Through Notes

Let's do our thinking up front for our personal statement essays. Your job is to do two things: 1) tell your story & walk through the features of an effective personal essay, and 2) keep great brainstorming notes for your partner.

- When you are the storyteller, focus on connecting moment to meaning.
- When you are the note-taker, focus on prompting your partner & jot down their most salient points.

Let's go!

<i>Steps</i>	<i>Partner Notes</i>
<i>Drop Us In</i>	
<i>Anchor the Context</i>	
<i>Tension/Shift</i>	
<i>Through-Image</i>	
<i>Micro-Moment</i>	
<i>Dialogue</i>	
<i>The Message</i>	
<i>Reflection</i>	
<i>Title</i>	

Reflection:

Think about your experience walking through your personal statement essay. What ideas can you keep & cut? What sections might you reorder? What ideas could you add?

Begin drafting the opening of your essay in the space below.