

Writing guidelines

A short story of my life .

Write and check: Write a short essay about your life. Use the questions to help you plan your essay.

Questions

1. Have you had a good life?
2. Where were you born, where did you grow up?
3. Where did you go to school, did you continue academic studies after school?
4. What are some remarkable memories from your childhood and teenage?
5. How has your life changed being and adult?
6. What are some relevant aspects of your life?

Writing planning

PARAGRAPH 1: The introduction is the opening paragraph, and it serves to attract the reader's attention, provide background information on the topic.

PARAGRAPH 2: Mention your hometown and describe your childhood. Talk about your family.

PARAGRAPH 3: Talk about your teenage years, friends, likes, hobbies, activities, studies, etc.

PARAGRAPH 4: Give information about your adult life, jobs, careers, travels, immediate family.

CONCLUSION: Give details describing how your life has been so far.

Check!

- Did you use transition expressions? * Revise the spelling * Check coherence and use of vocabulary * Revise the use of proper connectors. * Check the use of the verbs.

Sample answer (adapted version)

Introduction: My life has been happy with unique experiences, and it has been amazing. From my childhood memories to my present-day my life has been a journey full of learning, growth, and happiness. I have a lovely family and a job that I enjoy.

Paragraph 1: I was born and raised in a small town in Colombia. I grew up in a loving family with my parents and three brother. My parents worked hard, they are retired teachers now, so I had a very strict discipline that now I teach to my children. I remember playing with my brothers and neighbors, celebrations with my family, playing outdoors, and learning about our cultural traditions. **(give extra details)**

Paragraph 2: When I was a kid, I really liked to explore things, and I wanted to be a doctor. I wasn't good at sports but participated in extracurricular activities at my school, playing basketball. With this activity I made new friends, and with our conversations after the sport's practice I discovered that my passion wasn't medicine, but my passion was science and technology. Thus, with the support of my family, I graduated from high school, and I continued my studies at the University.

Paragraph 3: At the university I had the opportunity to travel to different countries and I was exposed to new cultures, ideas, and opportunities. I met people from diverse background, I fell in love, and I broke my heart many times, but I also enjoyed with my friends a lot. **(give extra details)**

Paragraph 4: I am an adult now, I have worked in a fantastic company for 15 years, Things have not been always simple, but I feel happy. I have 2 kids, and I have continued with my studies, but I haven't finished because I don't have much time.

Conclusion: In conclusion, my life has been a journey with various experiences and opportunities. I am a very happy person. I am living in a nice city, and I enjoy every possible time with my family.

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