

## 6 Word Memoir!

**ML: Writers use six word memoirs to suggest meaningful stories about themselves.**

### QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

**-WHO AM I? HOW DO I DEFINE MYSELF?**

**-DO I WANT TO DEFINE MYSELF IN TERMS OF OTHERS OR ALONE?**

**-WHAT DO I BELIEVE IN?**

**-WHAT MOMENTS/EVENTS HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT IN MY LIFE?**

**-WHAT DO I WANT TO SAY ABOUT MYSELF? WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO ME?**

**-GIVEN I HAVE SIX WORDS, WHAT PART OF MYSELF DO I WANT TO REPRESENT WITH THIS SHORT MEMOIR?**

### TIPS FOR WRITING YOUR SIX WORD MEMOIR

Your memoir has to be about you, not a universal message:

**Instead of: Be a leader; not a follower**

**I'm a leader, not a follower.**

No direct you, and avoid indirect "you".....

**Instead of: Wrote a song. Not for you.**

**My "love" song written in rage.**

It might sound clever, but it has to make sense.

**Instead of: Stars in the ocean: waving, laughing.**

**I am a star shining happily.**

Make sure your memoir suggests a story about you.

**Instead of: The tree is grounded in history.**

**My roots are grounded in family.**