

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.