

Math Autobiography

Purpose of the Assignment: As your teacher, I want to get to know you as a person and as a student of mathematics.

CONTENT:

Remember the purpose of the paper. Write about what will give me a picture of you. The key to writing a good piece is to give lots of detail. See the example below:

Not enough detail: I hated math in fourth grade, but it got better in sixth grade.

Good detail: I hated math in fourth grade because I had trouble learning my multiplication tables. I was really slow at doing problems, and I was always the last one to finish the timed tests. It was really embarrassing.

Each of the following sections should be a new paragraph.

Introduction

- How would you describe yourself?
- Where are you from?
- General interests: favorite subjects, activities, and hobbies.

Experience with Math

- What math classes have you taken and how well did you do in them?
- What have your experiences in math classes been like?
- How do you feel about math?

Learning Styles and Habits (specifically for math)

- Do you learn best from reading, listening or doing?
- Do you prefer to work alone or in groups?
- Describe some of your study habits. Do you take notes? Are they helpful?

The Future

- What are your expectations for this class?
- What are your responsibilities as a student in this class?
- What do you expect from your teacher?

ASSIGNMENT REQUIREMENTS

Typed:

- Double-spaced (Format – Paragraph – Spacing – **Line Spacing Double**)
- 12 point type (Arial or Times New Roman or Calibri)
- About a page long (300-600 words)
- Each section a new paragraph (4 sections)
- **Add a picture of yourself** to the beginning of you Autobiography

Grading: This paper will not be graded for writing style and composition in the same way that you would be graded in English, but I do expect proper spelling and grammar.

You will be graded using the following rubric:

Math Autobiography Grading Sheet

Criteria

Points Earned

Content: 80pts (20 per section)

Format

- Double-spaced (5 pts)
- Picture of Student (5 pts)
- Correct length (10 pts)
- Each section a new paragraph

Spelling/Grammar

- One point will be deducted for each spelling or grammar mistake

Late: (-10 per class day)

Total Points Earned: _____

Grade: _____

Comments:
