

Exercise Three- Memory

Hello again! I hope you enjoyed the last task and came up with lots of ideas to help you on your writing journey. Using writing prompts like that will always help you generate ideas by using scenes/scenarios to get a feel of what kind of story you want to tell and what characters interest you most.

This week is all about **YOU**.

Memory is a great way of evoking feelings and stories that you already have inside you. Every single person has a different experience of childhood and teenage life, and each person has their own story to tell.

Memories fade over time, which means we often only remember snippets. The nature of memory means we might remember events, friends, hiding places slightly different to how they actually were. Don't worry! Write it how you remember it and, if you can't remember it, make it up!

There are no rules for this writing task. Go wild! It's all down to you and your memory. I'm going to provide some questions to help you get going, once you have answered them, have a go at writing a short story or poem about your childhood/teenage years. It could be about your favourite hiding place, your best friend, your favourite birthday party, your pet, your parents...you get the idea.

1. Who was your best friend as a child? What did they look like?
2. What was your favourite toy?
3. What was your bedroom like? Did you have to share? Was it your own?
4. Where was your favourite hiding place?
5. Where was your first holiday?
6. What is your favourite childhood memory?
7. What was the first song you ever listened?
8. What was the first film you ever watched?
9. What did you want to be when you were young?
10. What was your favourite book?

Happy writing!