

# Personal Development and Identity as a Writer

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## Experience and Identity as a Writer

Great writers are shaped by experience. Even though I do not refer to myself as a great author, I believe I have a good command of writing. I prefer writing as a form of expressing individual ideas to the public. It is a way of conveying what cannot be told through word of mouth. Writing remains the best option to communicate a person's ideas in a coherent and planned manner. The fact that written materials have existed for centuries makes them more favorable when it comes to referencing past history. In my opinion, writing has always been the most credible form of expressing feelings. Apart from another form of expression, it demands clarity. Regardless of self-expression taking various forms, writing remains at the core of real affiliation between a writer and the audience targeted. Anne Lamott refers to writing as a continuous process involving planning and drafting ideas. She regards art as a. I can define the relationship between me and writing as one that has been pleasant, a growing passion to keep reading and writing. Generating new ideas and keeping them in engraved books is what makes my life. It is impossible to set aside writing since the more I try to avoid it, the more I become more pronounced and well-versed in the area. Moreover, avoiding writing can indeed be traumatic both for my personal and professional life. As the old adage goes, 'It is not possible to hide from your fear for a lifetime.

## Childhood Writing and Personal Development

My childhood development was met with a flow of assignments that necessitated writing; therefore, I have opted to embrace art since it is also a preparation for facing the real world in the future. It is a form of addressing issues that demands coherent and thoughtful ideas.

## Classroom Work Voice and Self-Expression

I believe that my characteristics are evident in my classroom work. I take the chance to grow my writing passion and, more importantly, voice my opinion to the world. The ability to share one's point of view also makes it possible to face challenges that demand strong and well-formed decisions. Writing is a way of attaining my life purpose and simultaneously makes my life more meaningful. I can reflect back to the age of twelve years when I started writing in a small notebook. This would happen during bedtimes as I listened to the music and at the same time played with words. At times writing managed to help fight boredom.

# Reading Imagination and Creative Growth

I believe that reading acts as a gateway to a more imaginative world. The art of reading forms a way for individuals to forget the current societal matters and individual problems. The perception created by the eloquent and well-planned phrases offers a reader a chance to act as part of the story and, for a session, a 'character.' When this happens, an individual gets entangled with the world of writing, and he or she cannot think of the problems in the real world. Writing creates a virtual world for a writer that enables him or her to avoid stress and other complications related to real-life problems. Lamott claims writing is a complicated and equally fascinating event (Lamott, 2007). Writing enables authors to form any creative subject they might think of without the pressure of being restricted. When it is about classwork or professional grounds, writing serves as a medium for expressing ideas beneficial to the parties involved.

## Writing as Work and Professional Practice

Writing cannot be compared to other types of work and careers. Lamott (23), she tries to equate writing with other forms of work. For instance, she notes that it is possible for a writer to be discouraged. The author refers to the discouragement as having polio. However, when a writer faces discouragement, he or she must not stop at the point and wait for people to kill his or her dreams. There is a need to accept that discouragements are part and parcel of life. It is the decision that a person makes that determines whether he or she will proceed or will remain stuck on the spot. I make sure to find encouraging friends and helpful books during difficult times especially when discouraged.

## Conclusion on Writing and Personal Character

To sum up, writing is the best way to express an individual's ideas. Writing offers the best way of developing personal character and teaches how to lead an organized life. Nevertheless, living an unfortunate life remains an issue that writing discourages. A writer is guaranteed the strength to put real-life and fictional ideas into readable form and affect the lives of people. An individual can ascertain writing as a way of making his or her living; it is an industry that welcomes even the lowest level of knowledge, which is why it is my favorite art. The fact that feelings are also channeled through writing makes the art more lively and helpful. A great writer and a reader are the most valuable assets a human being can treasure.

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