## **Narrative Essay Planning Template**

Please answer the following questions in complete sentence and paragraph format directly on this document. Although this is not a formal essay assignment, proper spelling, grammar, and sentence structure are required. Review the required resources for this assignment to assist you in understanding terminology employed in this template.

## **Part I: Defining Topic**

What single meaningful moment in time in your life have you chosen to narrate? Be sure you are choosing one of the possible prompts noted in the assignment, and take care to cover the following very specifically: What, When, Where, Who, Why.

The single moment I've decided to narrate for my essay is my graduation ceremony because this specific moment is something I will never forget and holds a special place in my heart. The day of my ceremony was on July 1, 2020, during this time Covid-19 hit my hometown, New Orleans. It was originally supposed to be the 19th of March, but the pandemic had set a lot of things back nevertheless, it was still beautifully put together. The ceremony was held uptown in my school auditorium we were required to social distance because of the pandemic. My some of my family was there, but only 4 people were allowed which really sucked because I wanted more people to experience my moment.

## Part II: Analyzing the Rhetorical Situation

When writing in the Narrative Rhetorical Pattern, our reader craves sensory detail (colors, shapes, patterns, light/dark, sounds, smell, touch sensations), as well as action and impact (relevance to the reader's own world, a sense of satisfaction and/or inspiration). Our purpose should be to bring our reader right into the moment with us in every way possible, to allow the reader to experience that moment with us. To ensure you meet the needs of your reader and your purpose for writing this essay, please answer each question below:

1. List at least two specific colors (in other words, not just "red" but "tomato red," not just blue, but "sky blue") and the items in your moment associated with them.

I remember seeing memphis gold colored cap and gowns it was beautiful and bright. The tassels also brought out the cap and gown because of the beautiful ebony black and yellow string with the big 20 hanging on it! You couldn't miss us we looked like bees in synchronization.

2. List at least two specific shapes (in other words, "perfectly rounded, like a globe" and "sharp as a blade of grass") and the items in your moment associated with them.

The caps were so eye catching with its perfect craftsmanship try to picture a perfect horizontal square placed on everyone's head. The ends were so flawlessly sharp and fine they shouldn't have been allowed, with a small even circle placed in the middle of the cap.

3. List at least two specific sounds (in other words, "the soft chirping of crickets" and "the roar of waves") and the items in your moment associated with them.