

Personal Oral Essay: Peer Edit Sheet

Writer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Editor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Read the essay through from start to finish.

Does the essay have an effective introduction that makes you want to read more?	Yes	Somewhat	No
Does the writer clearly state his/her belief in the introduction (either at the beginning or end)?	Yes	Somewhat	No
Does the writer use appropriate language given the general nature of the audience? (Too complex will alienate the audience—but so will language that is too casual)	Yes	Somewhat	No
Does the writer tell a story from his or her own life to illustrate the belief?	Yes	Somewhat	No
Is there good focus throughout the essay? (or does it make you forget what the writer's belief statement was?)	Yes	Somewhat	No
Does the essay conclude by explaining how the experience has helped him/her develop this belief?	Yes	Somewhat	No

**Strengths: Identify one strength in this essay. Please make sure you refer to the list of criteria you developed for an effective personal narrative essay:**

I found...

strong because...

**Suggestions: Identify something the writer could try or leave out in order to make the essay stronger.**

You might want to consider...

because...

Please return the completed form to the writer. You will also be expected to submit a copy to your teacher.