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TOPIC: Understanding the Characteristics of Memoir

FOCUS: The relationship of the writer and a place.

* Where is this place?
* What is the writer’s purpose in writing this book – what’s the one main idea that he/she wants you to think about this place?
* What descriptive words or ideas does the writer use to tell about this place?
* What memories does the writer share with you when telling about this place?
* How does the writer show you the importance of this place? Through his/her description of it? Through his/her feelings about it? Through his/her thoughts about it?
* How does the writer feel or what does he/she think about the place now? (his/her insights)

Self-Practice

* Where is a favorite place in your house?
* In your yard?
* In your neighborhood?
* At a relative’s house?
* At school?
* At a friend’s house?