



A LITTLE SAYS A LOT.

6 Word Memoir

Memoir:

noun

1.
a record of events written by a person having intimate knowledge of them and based on personal observation.

2.
Usually, **memoirs**.

- a. an account of one's personal life and experiences; autobiography.
- b. the published record of the proceedings of a group or organization, as of a learned society.

3.
a biography or biographical sketch.



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- Some say, “Less is more.” This is your chance to prove it. Here are a few examples of something called, “6-Word Memoirs.” They are meant to convey a great deal about one’s self, so read them with great insight.
 - Ernest Hemingway: (some have called this six-word story his best work)
 - “For sale: baby shoes, never worn.”
 - *What emotion was he trying to convey?
 - *How do you know?
 - *Did he succeed in his attempt?
 - *What made it powerful?
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- Here is one more example from an unknown author.
 - “Wish I could ... So I did.”
 - Once again, I ask you ...
 - *What emotion was he trying to convey?
 - *How do you know?
 - *Did he succeed in his attempt?
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MORE EXAMPLES

- “Just touch the match to ...” - Ursula K. LeGuin
 - “I’m your future, child. Don’t cry.” - Stephen Baxter
 - “Dinosaurs return. Want their oil back.” -David Bruin
 - “Please, this is everything. I swear.” - Orson Scott Card
 - “Corpse parts missing. Doctor buys yacht.” - Margaret Atwood
 - “Time traveler’s thought. What’s the password?” - Steven Meretzky
 - “I thought I was right. I wasn’t.” - Graeme Gibson
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Okay ... think about these things ...

- WHAT DEFINES YOU?

- WHAT HAS HAPPENED
TO YOU IN YOUR LIFE
THAT'S WORTH
REMEMBERING?

- WHAT HAS MADE YOU
... YOU?



Your turn.
