

## A LITTLE SAYS A LOT.

6 Word Memoir

## Memoir:

## noun

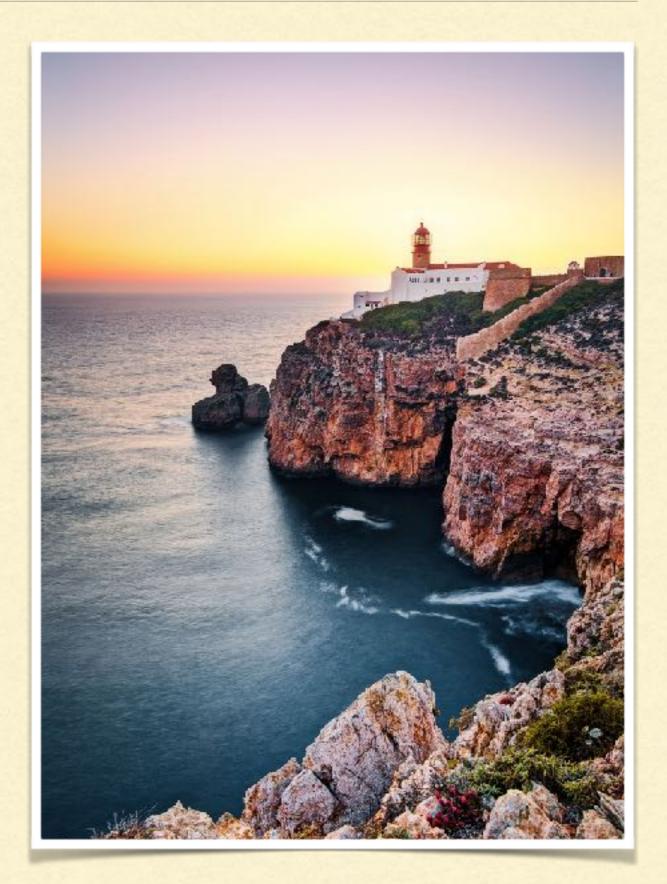
1.

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

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.



- 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?

- 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?
- \*What made it powerful?

## 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

Okay ... think about these things ...

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



Your turn.