Writers' Histories

This essay is often written during the first week of English 134—although some instructors require students to revisit and revise it again at the end of the quarter. In each of these essays, students reflect on their experiences as writers, drawing attention to the importance of developing a writing process, the challenges of writing, and the sense of accomplishment they experience after recognizing their development as writers. Ultimately, these students are assessing their own abilities as writers so they can better understand the work they have before them in English 134. As you read, consider your own experiences with writing. How did you become the writer you are today? What challenges will you face as you develop your skills now that you are writing for a college audience?