Characteristics of: Personal Narrative Personal Expository

- Tells a personal story
- Focused on one event that appears to be significant to the writer
- Can be fictional
- Needs to include the elements of a story (characters, setting, simple plot - movement through time and change)
- Uses sensory details
- Uses feelings
- Is reflective

- Explains why, how or what
- Focused on one topic that is significant to the writer (personal or class thematic unit)
- Includes ideas that explain and support
- Uses comparisons
 - er, est
 - similes
- Uses sensory details
- Is reflective

Persuasive

- States an opinion or what you want
- Gives reasons why
- Includes people who are on your side
- Tells what you will do if you get it (If...then...)
- Tells why you should have it NOW

