

# READING A SHORT MEMOIR: READING STATIONS

*Objective: I can comprehend and analyze fictional and/or nonfiction memoirs.*

Keeping in mind that memoirs are all VERY different from each other, here are just a FEW examples of memoirs or vignettes. As you travel to each station and read these excerpts or short stories, remember to focus on the lesson or theme the writer is gradually building. (Even if you don't "see the point" right away, the writer is describing or saying something for a REASON!)

Memoir/Vignette	1-Sentence Plot Summary	Your Observations*	The "Point" of the Story**	How the author built the theme or "point"

\*=You may want to record observations of the author's writing style or what you find interesting, such as how he/she kept your attention or built the theme/lesson.