

Unlocking Life Stories: The Art of the Biography

Step into the shoes of a storyteller and bring a life story to life!

- A biography is always written in the third person (using pronouns like he, she, or they) to keep the focus on the subject's life story.
- Most biographies are written in chronological order, starting from the person's birth and moving through the major events of their life.
- Biographers use factual research, such as letters, diaries, and interviews, to ensure their writing is accurate and respectful.
- A great biography includes 'anecdotes'—short, interesting stories about the person that help the reader understand their personality.
- The purpose of a biography is to explain why the subject is important and how they influenced the world around them.

Did you know? Did you know? The word 'biography' comes from the Ancient Greek words 'bios' (meaning life) and 'graphia' (meaning writing). When you write a biography, you are acting as a historian, piecing together the memories and achievements of a real person to share their journey with the world!

Key vocabulary: Chronological · Third-person · Subject · Anecdote · Perspective · Legacy