

## My Life As a Writer

I look at writing as something I can do but prefer not to. I enjoy if the topics I write about are interesting. I like to elaborate and literally present what I have to say well. When it comes to writing about things I'm not so interested in, I feel I can still be creative and elaborate to make what I'm presenting feel like more than it actually is. Forced writing is definitely not a hobby of mine and I feel that people write best when they enjoy what they are talking about.

A personal example of this is that I love writing narratives. When I was still in grade school, we had a yearly competition called Young Authors, where all the students would write stories and the best would be judged and rewarded. I won that award a couple of times because I really liked to write about what interested me.

If I could change one thing about my life as a writer, it would be to write in a less structured and more flowing way. I feel that now my writing is structured from formats that I learned as a child. My ultimate goal as a writer is to break from that but be able to keep the paper flowing. I think I have achieved that somewhat in that class already. I am starting to come out of that shell and try new ways of expressing myself as a writer.