**All about me – writing lesson idea**

This could be a four-sentence recount or a longer piece of writing. The template is in the resources section of the writing book website: www.thewritingbook.com/pages/resources

**Purpose**

Explain that the purpose of this writing activity is to share interesting information about ourselves with our classmates.

**Lesson introduction**

**Motivation and generating ideas**

Four possible ideas for this writing could be:

- Your earliest memory e.g. My first day at school
- Something that makes you laugh
- A fun fact about you
- Something you love

Teacher introduces the sentence ideas one by one, sharing their own experiences, and pausing for the students to discuss their ideas in pairs.

**Possible criteria**

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<th><strong>Early writers</strong></th>
<th><strong>Fluent writers</strong></th>
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<td>• Each idea is a new sentence</td>
<td>• Include interesting details (Refer to Adding Detail Poster PM 23)</td>
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<td>• Wow words</td>
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**Teacher modelled/shared writing**

Choose one sentence idea and model how to compose a sentence based on the criteria for the lesson.

*E.g.* I remember rushing excitedly into the pet shop to choose my new tabby kitten. Her wide blue eyes stared at me longingly.

**Independent writing**

Students write their ‘all about me’ recounts (see exemplar), using the icons to support their organisation.

**Self-check**

Read your writing in a quiet voice.
Can you spot 2 mistakes?

**Partner-check**

I like ...because...
Find 2 interesting details.

**Wrap-up**

Celebrate the mistakes students have self-corrected during the self-check.
In small groups, students share their favourite sentence.