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13. A story about yourself as a superhero.
14. A day in a space shuttle or the International Space Station.
15. What it would be like to be buried alive in a coffin.

Writing Checklist for a Narrative Essay

- Choose a topic.
- Explore the topic using one or more of the prewriting techniques you have studied, or use the six reporters' questions to uncover topics for the body paragraphs (or as your essay map items).
- Create the thesis statement.
- Write your narrative essay, remembering to use transitional expressions to create rhythm, to connect related ideas, and to order the events.
- Revise the first draft.
- Proofread the final draft.
- Print or type the essay and submit it.

CHAPTER REVIEW

- A narrative essay tells a story, fictional or true. An effective narrative has a point, a reason that the story is important.
- Techniques for writing narrative paragraphs include stating the point of the narrative in the topic sentence, using the six reporters' questions to focus the narrative, and using transitional expressions to order events.