

Name _____ Grade _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHOOSING PHOTO:

Choose a photo of significance to you. It should be something that matters to you—special person/people, a special event, etc.

FRAMING QUESTIONS

Here are a few framing questions to consider for chosen photo:

1-Describe the photo—for example, tell me what is happening in this photo? Who is pictured (include both names and relationship to you)? What is the location? Approximate time (year, month, ages of people)? Any other identifying information? These questions refer to the 'facts' of the photo—its context.

2-Tell me a story associated with this photo—maybe something that happened that day. Or a story that you think of when you see this picture or a story associated with person in this photo. Or quite simply, what is the reason this photograph was taken, i.e. what was the occasion or motivation for this photo to be taken (somebody's birthday, last time all together, great trip, etc.)

3-Why did you choose this particular photo—in other words, what makes it meaningful and special to you? How does it make you feel? What does it make you remember?

4-Finally, I know this is hard, what does this photo say about you?

For extra credit:

5- If person in photo is still alive, as a follow-up, interview him/her to learn more about their life; if they are a relative, you will also be learning more details about your own family. Ask for stories, ask a few questions and then listen. If the person is not alive, interview others from whom you can learn more. Interview and record these stories to preserve for you and your family.