

7 HABITS TO HELP YOU P.O.S.S.E.S.S. YOUR NARRATIVE

Based on the idea of literary critic, Northrop Frye who stressed the need to take possession of your language. He was fond of saying "There is only one story...your story."

P is for Paraphrase your own thoughts.

Paraphrasing is saying something in your own words.

Paraphrasing displays your understanding of your own words.

O is for Ordering your own thoughts.

Ordering helps you co-ordinate the thoughts you live by.

Ordering gives your readers a clearer picture where you are going.

S is for Simplify your own thoughts.

Simplifying is using your vocabulary to express yourself.

Your vocabulary doesn't need to be complex or complicated to communicate your message.

S in for Shorten your own thoughts.

Shortening your thoughts means that you are concise in your writing.

Being able to say more things in fewer words is a mark of

concise , creative writing.

E is for Exemplify your own thoughts.

Exemplifying your thoughts is the skill of using precise examples

to make your point.

Examples have the same root as the word for examination.

Exemplifying is a skill that takes a thorough examination of your thoughts to choose the best one for full expression of an idea.

S is for Symbolize your own thoughts.

Symbols are important for unifying a story or giving a theme a consistent presence in a story.

Symbolizing elements of a story help to create a spirit of a piece

that goes beyond the page.

S is for Summarize our own thoughts.

Summarizing a story helps you to convey the most important details to be remembered by the reader.

Summarizing should be objective, balanced and comprehensive

in showing your full understanding of a piece of writing.

