

## 11th Grade Narrative Prompts

1. Despite changes in color and shape, even today's fancy sneakers are still passive, "put-them-on, take-them-off" footwear. A shoe company announces that it will hire the winner of an essay contest to determine what creative changes can be made to improve its sneakers. Write to the shoe company to explain what creative improvements you would make to today's sneakers.
2. Many times in life we miss out on things because we are afraid to do them or dread the thoughts of a negative experience. Other times we have no choice and must do what we dread the most. Often we learn that our fears were unjustified. Write about an experience you dreaded but discovered was not nearly as bad as you had expected.
3. When Shakespeare said, "Sweet are the uses of adversity," he meant that sometimes good can come from bad. Write about an experience you had when something good resulted from something that, at first, seemed bad.
4. Often we go to others for advice on solving our problems. There are times when their advice should have been taken but was ignored. Think of a time when you were given advice but chose not to take it. Write about an experience when you asked for advice but chose not to follow the advice given.
5. It has been said that people learn to appreciate those things that have resulted from hard work. Write about a personal experience you had that required hard work and taught you to appreciate what you gained from working so hard.
6. All the world's technologies have stopped working. How would you react to this situation? Write a narrative about a day when all of the current technological devices have stopped working.
7. "So, how was your day at school?" How would you answer this question if it was about either your best or your worst day of school? Why was this your best or worst day at school? Write a narrative about either your best or your worst day at school.
8. You have been asked to write to a foreign exchange student about a typical day at your school. This person will spend next year at your school and needs to know what to expect. Why are the events of a typical day meaningful to the exchange student? Write a narrative about a typical day at your school.