

## **“Me at Seventeen (or Eighteen, or Nineteen, or...)”**

After reading and discussing the Plath essay, I would like you to write an essay with a similar theme. In a brief essay (1½ to 2 pages) explain who you are as a human being at this point in your life. Be sure to keep the essay as well as the questions below in mind as you complete this assignment. Be as honest as possible both in voice and content.

Things to keep in mind: Please don't just give me a laundry list of answers to these questions. Remember, essays are coherent, flowing pieces, not a patchwork of answers. Use the questions as a guide to telling me more about yourself.

1. How old are you? What is it like to be your age at this point in your life (i.e. starting your last year of school, friendships/ relationship, moving out soon, possibility of going to college/starting a career)?
2. What are your plans for the future? Where do you see yourself a year from now? Where do you see yourself 10 years from now?
3. What are you afraid of (if anything) regarding your future?
4. What do you look forward to (if anything) regarding your future?
5. Who are you as a person? A good way to answer this may be to choose two or three words and expand on them with your own ideas on what they mean and why they describe who you are.  
Ex. Wife—caring, love, a friend, sharing, understanding  
Ex. Student—learning, teenager, ambitious
6. What do you consider to be the most important thing in your life right now?

The final copy, typed in proper format, is due \_\_\_\_\_.