**Autobiographical Essay Outline Format**

**Chapter 1 – Introduction**

1. My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I was born to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I have \_\_\_ brothers/sisters named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I was born on (Month/day, year) in city, state.
2. My name, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, is (English, Hebrew, French, etc.) and means “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”. I was named after \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Write a paragraph describing your personality and explain why you feel you have these traits.(independent, fun, quiet, shy, silly, talkative, active, couch potato, social, hyper, awkward, self-esteem, mean, rude).
4. The story of my arrival . . .
5. I would compare myself to a . . . because . . .

**Chapter 2 – Family/Friends**

1. My family is special to me because . . . I look like my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because . . .
2. I (like/dislike) pets. I have # of pets. (Write all about your pets or perhaps you may want a pet!)
3. My extended family lives (near/far away). (Write how often you get to see them. Who do you miss the most and why?)
4. Write all about your best friend. Tell me why they are your best friend or a special friend.

**Chapter 3 – Firsts**

1. Tell me about a “first” that was memorable.(Such as your first bike!)
   1. My first memory was . . .
2. Tell me about a memorable event. (Such as when your dad came home from Iraq, or a new baby sister/brother.)
   1. A memorable event in my life was . . .

**Chapter 4 – Sports/Activities/Hobbies**

* + - 1. Sports – intramurals sports, team sports, etc.
  1. Activities- Young Marines, Girl/Boy Scouts, Band, etc.
  2. Hobbies – Scrapbooking, Collecting items, Babysitting, Knitting, Models, etc.

**Chapter 5 – Dreams/Hopes**

1. Goals – What would you like to achieve/accomplish?
2. Dreams- What do you wish for?
3. Hope – Where do you hope to be in 10 years? What do you hope to be doing in 10 years?
4. Do you have a favorite quote/poem/song that explains who you are as a person? If so, write it here.