

VOICE

5 PAPER-REALLY INDIVIDUAL AND POWERFUL

My paper has lots of personality. It sounds different from the way anyone else writes.



- I have put my personal stamp on this paper. It's really me!
- Readers can tell I am talking right to them.
- I write with confidence and sincerity.
- My paper is full of feelings and my reader will feel what I feel.
- I'm not afraid to say what I really think.
- You can tell that I wrote this. No one else sounds like this!

3 PAPER-INDIVIDUALITY FADES IN AND OUT

What I truly think and feel only shows up sometimes.

- Although readers will understand what I mean, it won't make them feel like laughing, crying or pounding on the table.
- My writing is right on the edge of being funny, excited, scary or downright honest-but it's not there yet.
- My personality pokes through here and there, but then gets covered up again.
- My writing is pleasant, but a little cautious.
- I've done a lot of telling and not enough showing.



1 PAPER-NOT YET ME

I'm not comfortable sharing what I truly think and feel yet.

- If you didn't already know, it might be hard to tell who wrote this paper; you can't really hear my voice in there yet.
- I'm not comfortable taking a risk by telling you what I really think-I've taken the safest route by hiding my true feelings.
- My paper is all telling and no showing at all.
- I've held myself back by using general statements like: "It was fun," "She was nice," "I like him a lot."