

Just a little Take-away from the creating of the Book Jacket and the feedback from Dr. Jensen

The memoir book cover project during week two was to me the most meaningful, as the topic was heartfelt and personal. I love, love, love, how my book cover turned out, as well as the inspiration for the design. The summers I spent as a young girl with my mom and dad trucking all over the country is priceless. The landmarks as well as the stories are imprinted on my soul just like a vintage roadmap.

You said you wanted to get more written. You have plenty. I like how you have thought about the structure (the content) of an entire memoir. So, this is a great start. The real strength here is your voice and the dialogue. You sound Southern. I think readers will love the phrasing and the colloquial way of speaking. If you can nail down the voice, as you have, then writing the rest of the memoir is much easier.

Grade: 480/500

It's been a pleasure. Keep working on this.

"An autobiography is the story of a *life*
Memoir, on the other hand, is a story *from* a *life*. It makes no pretense of replicating a whole life. One of the important skills of memoir writing is the selection of the themes that will bind the work together."

—Judith Barrington
Writing the Memoir