We all have scars. Scars can be emotional and/or physical. Some scars happen because of our own bad choices and some happen through no fault of our own. No matter what, scars are a testimony to the struggles and lessons we have learned in life.

Your writing assignment is to share a personal scar with your audience. You should use a personal memory of how and why you attained this scar. Your goal is to make sure you not only inform the audience of your scar, but you entertain and/or make us feel something about your scar. Use all or most of your five senses to actively and descriptively retell your story. Make us gasp in pain, clench in horror, cry at your loss and feel your emotions.

Prewriting

a. brainstorm emotional and physical scars

b. pick three (even if you KNOW which one you want to do) and make a list of all the details you can for each topic.

c. Pick the topic with the most details.

d. Give the selected idea the topic sentence
   i. is the topic limited? Not too specific or narrow
   ii. do I have plenty of details to describe the event? (setting, people, conflict)
   iii. do I have details to express my feelings at the time?
   iv. do I have detail to express the effects it had on my life at the time?
   What did I learn about life?