

Writing a “Connection” Story

Working Story Title:

Why We Are Telling This Story:

1. **Briefly describe a specific event or situation.** At this point, the story may not be particularly remarkable.
2. **Reveal a surprise, discovery or epiphany.** This is the “you won’t believe what happened next” or “after this happened, I suddenly realized . . .” section of the story.
3. **Gently explain the greater connection.** Without being too obvious or cloying, make sure that the point of the story is shining through . . . what is the great lesson or universal human interest? What impact have the connections described in the story had on others?

Use the answers to these questions as the first draft of your story.