

What Is an Anecdote?

To see an example of an anecdote (story), please check out the example on the back side of the INSTRUCTIONS for this assignment (“Tempo, Tommy, Tempo...”)

The following comparison should also help you. One of these introductions is an ANECDOTE, and one isn't:

1. Literature can be anything you want it to be. That's why literature is so fascinating. Whether it be through books, movies, music, theatre, or art, there is always a way to uniquely express literature...

2. “Spin! Do a spin!”

I was dancing in front of a huge audience at my cousin's quinceañera. I was really nervous, and my cousin was trying to help me out. I just wanted the dance to be over with. To make matters worse, they were videorecording everything so that they'd have a memento of the occasion...

Can you figure out which of these two is the anecdote?

Hint: It's the one with **DETAIL** about a **PARTICULAR MOMENT** in time.