

DIARY ENTRY/MONOLOGUE

In Freedom Writers, the students write diary entries to express what they are feeling and the problems that they are facing. We only get to hear some of these diary entries.

Diary Entry Activity

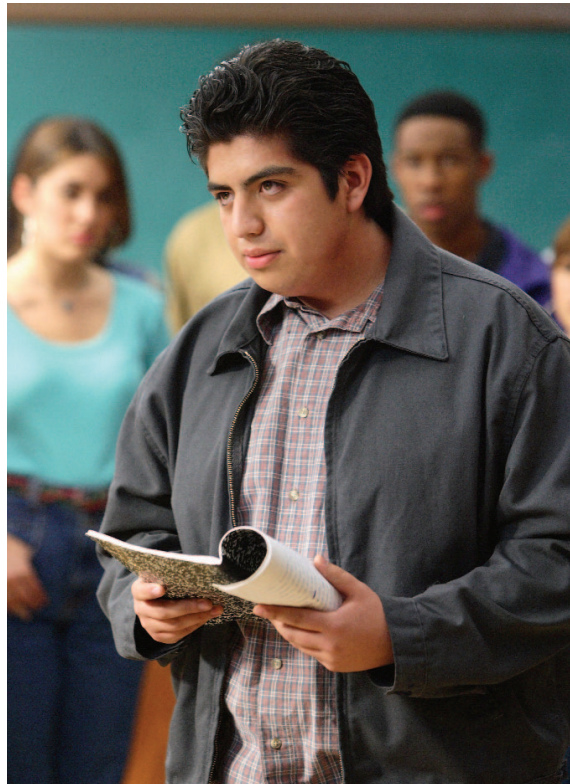
Choose one of the following characters:

- Eva
- One of the boys in the class
- Erin Gruwell (Hilary Swank)
- Margaret Campbell (Imelda Staunton)
- Or another character that you liked or wanted to know more about

Then write a diary entry about Erin Gruwell's first day at school. What do you think about her? What assumptions do you make? Do you want her to succeed or not? If you are writing as Erin, what are your ambitions and how do you think you'll make them happen?

Staying as the same character, now write an entry for:

- the day the students go to see the Holocaust Exhibition
- the day Miep Gies comes to the school
- the day you hear that Erin will continue to teach the same class



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