

Writing or Layout Feature	
Written in the first person (I woke up	
very early, I ate a huge breakfast)	
Written in the past tense, talking about	
things that have already happened (I	
went to school this morning, I worked	
really hard today.)	
Recount events in order (I walked	
home and then I watched some TV.	
Later I played a game.	
Sometimes begin with the line Dear	
Diary, as if it is being written to an	
actual person	
Sometimes have the date at the top of	
the page.	

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