

## **TBLM Mod.2.2#2: Biographies and Autobiographies**

### **Description and Characteristics**

- **Biographies** are stories of people's lives written by someone else.
- **Autobiographies** are personal life stories written about oneself.
- Both biographies and autobiographies commonly have a theme and are written in chronological sequence. They include
  - timeline
  - setting
  - characterization
  - accomplishments or challenges
  - supportive people

### **Introduction**

- Identify the theme.
- Provide an authentic setting.
- Set a timeline.

### **Body**

- Focus on the person's character (e.g., the person is honest, curious, innovative, resilient, courageous) as the most important element.
- Show the individual as a dynamic person, changing over time.
- Describe the person, including reference to personality.
- Mention supportive people who were an influence.
- List the person's accomplishments or challenges.

### **Theme**

- Focus on the person's accomplishments and challenges. (These are the main components of a biography.)
- Ensure that all information provided supports the theme.