

Student Assignment: Literature Prize 2022 Annie Ernaux



Annie Ernaux is awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature 2022 "for the courage and clinical acuity with which she uncovers the roots, estrangements and collective restraints of personal memory".

Annie Ernaux's books are often described as autobiographical, and yet not quite. It is as though she were *searching* for herself through fragmented memories from childhood, but in a way it is someone else she finds. And she uses the third-person voice in that search.

Write a text in **third-person voice** in which you try to describe who you were before you started going to school. Base your writing on one or more memories from early childhood. Here are a few different ideas for how you might begin your writing:

- She was a talkative girl....
- His favourite thing in the world was....
- When the grown-ups were watching the news, she usually liked to....
- He sometimes became completely enraged when
