AUTOBIOGRAPHY (SAMPLE) - JANICE P. MORGAN -

I was born and raised in the United Kingdom (UK), where I lived until the summer of 2000. Having made the decision to move to the United States, much to the chagrin of my parents, I moved to the US and settled in North Carolina. I attended East Carolina University, majored in Elementary Education, and graduated cum laude. Living in the United States has provided me with opportunities to grow and develop, both in my personal and professional life.

As a child growing up in the UK, I was fortunate to attend a well-regarded, private boarding school from kindergarten through high school. The private, all girls school professed a strong educational and ethical philosophy that has remained with me throughout my life. It is this foundation, along with the continued support of my family, educators, and friends that has allowed me to embrace my dream of teaching children.

The year 2002 was the best year of my life. In this, my graduation year, I successfully completed my teaching practicum and also met the man that I would later marry. In 2004, John and I married in the UK, with full attendance by family and friends; it was one of the most important events in my life. A short time later, in November, 2005, I took on another important role in my life, that of mother. The birth of my daughter, Emma, was a turning point in my life, and I made the conscious decision that it was in her best interest that I become a stay-at-home mother before embarking on my teaching career. Because I had a child of my own to nurture and care for, I became more aware of children who do not have the support and nurturing they need to realize their full potential. This created in me great concern about children and lit the flame of desire to return to my teaching career path. I am now entering the teaching arena with a renewed idea of what I would like to achieve as an educator.

This September, it is my hope to secure a teaching position and continue with my dream of teaching today's children. With the wonderful support of my husband and the love of my daughter, I know that I will become a teacher who young children look up to, someone who children can trust, who will always "go the extra mile" to ensure their success.