**Task:**  Explore other stories of the Fugitive Slave Act by using the provided links below. Then, with a partner, write narratives telling one of the provided stories in your own words, quoting from the historical documents online. Narratives should be at least 1 page. Narratives should have a plot, scene, vivid imagery, conflict, ending, and impact. See rubric on the back.

**How to write a Narrative:**

1. Open the narrative. In the first paragraphs of your narrative, introduce your main character and his or her world to your readers. As you write, think about the following questions: • What details root this person in a particular time and place? • How does he or she feel about the historical event? • Why is this story being told? Is your storyteller relating this narrative to a friend? Talking to a group of strangers?
2. Develop the narrative. After you have introduced your storyteller and setting, relate the series of events that make up the narrative. Keep the narrative in the first person. Use transitions— such as first, before, later on, after, the next day, and so on—to help your audience keep track of time. The narrative should progress until it reaches a high point. As you build up to that point, increase your reader’s interest. Use powerful and vivid language to intensify the storyteller’s emotions and to show his or her reaction to what happens.
3. Close the narrative. The final paragraphs of your historical narrative should wind down the action.

**Narrative Choices:**

**Shadrach Minkins**

[**https://www.zinnedproject.org/news/tdih/shadrach-minkins-arrested/**](https://www.zinnedproject.org/news/tdih/shadrach-minkins-arrested/)

**William & Ellen Craft**

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/the-great-escape-from-slavery-of-ellen-and-william-craft-497960/>

https://docsouth.unc.edu/neh/craft/summary.html

**Margaret Garner**

<https://ohiohistorycentral.org/w/Margaret_Garner>

https://www.aaihs.org/the-fugitive-slave-margaret-garner-and-tragedy-on-the-ohio/

**Anthony Burns-**

<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/part4/4p2915.html>

https://www.famous-trials.com/anthonyburns

**The Battle of Christina**

<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/the-christiana-riot>

<https://www.blackpast.org/african-american-history/christiana-riot-1851/>