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4. Who is doing your recommendations? What details about your high school behavior will each highlight about you? What character traits will they put in the spotlight?

5. List 3-5 adjectives that describe you – and be sure each is different from the other:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Go back now and list stories you could write that would show each of the above traits.

6. Now you can begin to choose some topics. Answer these questions initially:

- Which of the blemishes need explaining?
- Which of the pieces of good information need more depth for full appreciation or understanding?
- Which of the characteristics you listed have the best stories that would both describe the person you are and engage the reader.
- Which stories are you excited to tell?
- Which of the characteristics are not obvious anywhere else in your application?

