CLOSURE IN AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL WRITING

One of the challenges of finishing an autobiographical writing project (or traditional autobiography) is addressing the question of closure. In a book-length autobiography (often written in old age), the closure for the writer may be a sense of the meaning of his or her life. With a series of essays (such as you have been writing this term), the closure may be on a theme/topic or on the meaning of one’s life thus far.

Is what ways are you trying to reach a sense of closure with your last essay? What type of closure (in exploration of a theme, of your life up to this point) are you trying to reach?

What have you wanted to write about that you haven’t?