YOUR TURN:

 List as many words as you can about yourself—right now—things you do, things you like, feelings you have. Don’t cross out, don’t edit, change, or rewrite. Don’t worry about spelling—JUST WRITE! You are going for quantity, so write as much as you can in the timeframe you have. It’s personal.

 Now, circle the two or three words that stand out for you, the ones that you could say more about. The ones that make you feel something.

 Pick one item and free-write about it. That means you just start writing about the idea, object, role, or event. The only rule: don’t stop writing. Whatever comes to mind is fair game. Memoirs are personal.

 Synthesize: Now that you have a sense of your topic, synthesize it into a 6-word phrase that captures the essence of what your topic means to YOU!

 Now, do it again and again. Create at least TEN 6-word memoirs. Place the final pieces dated and in your composition book page _____. 
CHOOSE ONE TO TAKE TO A FINAL PRODUCT:

Choose a memoir that you feel comfortable sharing. It will be on a bulletin board.

- Write your 6-word memoir on the provided card. Use a legible font.
- Include an appropriate image/picture that captures the essence of your memoir.
  - Be creative in your formatting.
- Write your first name, last name initial, and period on the front.
- Write your first and last name and date on the back.

DUE on Wednesday:

- Pre-writing checked in composition book
- 10 six-word memoirs checked in composition book
- 1 final product
Dusty, tired cleats await new diamonds.
Dancing in high-heels: faltering on EGGSHHELLS.
New Shoes, Flat Tires, Accidents Happen.
optimistically dreaming of fairy tale endings...

I never much liked being corrected.