

Six-Word Memoir

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I am slightly obsessed with the six-word memoir. Smith Magazine, the online storytelling machine, (<http://www.smithmag.net/sixwords/>) originated. They still have daily posts, give prizes, and have published several books. Today's is "It wasn't love. Just summer sun."



Some of my favorites by other people --

I still make coffee for two.
I can't keep my own secrets.
Tell the truth, only in journals.
I always imagine clowns without makeup.
Bad brakes discovered at high speed.
Educated too much; lived too little.



My own --

Doneness counts, but not done yet.
I believe in life before death.
Kiss me like you mean it.
Curl my toes, if you can.
Not enough room in the margins.
Honeycrisp apples are proof god exists.
(from someone who doesn't believe in God)

Even better when you illustrate your memoir. I would enjoy reading shared six-word memoirs from friends, colleagues, and former students.

P.S. Amazon has illustrative samples, as does NPR. Just Google the form.