# HOW TO WRITE ABOUT YOUR LIFE READING LIST

Here's an utterly eccentric and incomplete list of terrific books. They're our favorites, but they're just a starting point. Everything you read changes you, and what you read while you're writing changes your writing. So dig in, absorb and most important of all, enjoy. -- Sarah and Susan

### **MEMOIRS**

The Liars' Club by Mary Karr
The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls
Running With Scissors by Augusten Burroughs
Losing Mom and Pup by Christopher Buckley
One Drop by Bliss Broyard
The Year of Magical Thinking by Joan Didion
Night by Elie Wiesel
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou
In a Sunburned Country by Bill Bryson
Gift From the Sea by Anne Morrow Lindbergh
Bastard Out of Carolina by Dorothy Allison
Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt

#### ON WRITING

Eats, Shoots and Leaves by Lynne Truss
The Artist's Way by Julia Cameron
The New New Journalism: Conversations with America's
Best Nonfiction Writers on Their Craft by Robert Boynton

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