

## **Mentor Text**

The Mentor Text below was written by Prianna Kumar Singhannia and was awarded Finalist in the 2023 826 Digital Writers' Showcase.

**1947** by Prianna Kumar Singhannia, Grade 8

My god it was horrible People screamed until their throats were sore Faces stained with blood and tears Only to be met with a cascade of bullets So many people passed in this hunt for freedom Somber families placed flowers in rivers The wise championed peace, we were no longer tied to the isle People celebrated in the streets, the angry lull quieted We didn't know how much worse it would get 1 country became 2 It began again Broken windows, split communities The people were scared And when the people are scared Violence rules the streets There were 1 million deaths Before there was again calm But those who lived will never forget



## **Your Story Details**

Answer the questions below to help you develop the precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language of a story that's been passed down to you. If you need more space, continue in your writing journal.

What is the story about? Use specific words and names to summarize the event in 1-2 sentences.

Who told you this story? How does this person know the story?

When did the main event of the story take place? List any sensory details you know about the season, the telling details found in the historical significance of the year, etc.

Where did the event take place? Use sensory language to describe the place.

Can you think of any precise words or phrases that have been shared with you, about the event? List them below.



## **Your Story**

Retell your story, using the precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language that you brainstormed on page 2. If you need more space, continue in your writing journal.