

Sample Details Brainstorming Page

Prompt: How is the need to belong universal? Provide examples to support your answer. Record concise details that help you answer the prompt.

Detail
First humans → people connected to survive
All humans have brains. Brains want to belong = belonging universal
Belonging = feeling valued, respected, and happy
Maslow's research says—belonging is a psychological need
Leary and Baumeister research says— ● close social bonds = happiness and life satisfaction ● All people across cultures think about connection w/ others
In "First-Day Fly" the protagonist cared a lot about his outfit → wanted to feel accepted and belong
In "Jorts and All" Gwyn wanted to learn how to skate → wanted to be accepted and belong in skateboarding community
In "Popularity" protagonist was desperate to be "belong"= to be popular
Belonging at school. Students who "belong" persevere and engage in learning
Belonging = better learning outcomes
Not feeling belonging = negative physical and mental effects

Claim: The need to belong is **universal** because research has found that human brains are wired to connect with others throughout history and around the world.