# my life as an alphabet: exploring narrative

Ranking Activity

Rank the quotes below from *My Life as an Alphabet* according to those that are most significant to the themes the text to least significant. Cut and paste the quotes in order and explain your choice for each quote.

‘Dad’ I said, ‘Why do you have to watch your plane all the time?’

He sighed.

‘I would have thought that was obvious Candice. If I don’t, I will lose control and it will crash.’

‘Isn’t it the same with families?’ I asked. (p. 167)

 ‘I sometimes think he [Douglas Benson] feels like he is swimming around in a bowl and wants to know what it is like on the other side of the plastic. Sometimes I think we all feel like that.’ (p. 42)

‘I want to pursue happiness. I want to catch it, grab it by the scruff of the neck, drag it home and force it to embrace all the people I mentioned above.’ (p. 69)

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