Memoirs about the COVID experience:

Lesson Plan Ideas:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RCVcBDxIcFJGc3MAecAKXk3iz-EUR58xxz03Jf2e4RY/edit

https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/help_students_process_covid19_emotions_with_thiss_lesson_plan

Feelings that you might have felt during COVID: (top 3)

Hopeful Lonely Frustrated Tired

Concerned Depressed
Fear Relief
Shame Calm

Sad Determined

Angry Tired

Irritable Energized
Hopeless Stressed
Anxious Isolated

Afraid Overwhelmed

Questions:

When you think back to COVID (a. the initial lockdown phase, b. at home schooling, c. coming back to school - returning to normalcy) what color comes to your mind?

When did you first hear about COVID/the lockdown?

Is there a particular song you remember listening to during the pandemic? Is there a particular tv show you remember watching during the pandemic?

Who was the most influential person in your life during the pandemic?

What occupied the greatest amount of your time during the Pandemic?

What did you miss the most during quarantine? What was your best/worst quarantine memory?

Was there a positive change in your life during the quarantine

What do you think was the biggest thing you missed because of quarantine? How did that make you feel?

Was there something that you did without during COVID?

Biggest hurdle you faced during COVID?

What is one memory that rises to the surface when you think about COVID...write about that memory!

Examples of Pandemic Memoirs:

Students writing about their experiences during COVID:

Pandemic memoir (17 year old)

https://www.mghclaycenter.org/parenting-concerns/birdcage-memoirs-a-teens-reflections-on-living-through-the-pandemic/

6 Word Pandemic Memoirs - https://www.sixwordmemoirs.com/pandemic/

Student share their experience:

https://www.postregister.com/news/education/students-share-their-school-covid-19-experience-in-their-own-words/article_6064d7f7-809f-5a86-9664-9e6d18a4f37d.html

https://www.the74million.org/article/pandemic-notebook-13-students-across-america-write-about-covid-19-their-disrupted-school-year-and-the-disorienting-new-normal/