1) Have any data been collected for this study already?
No, no data have been collected for this study yet.

2) What's the main question being asked or hypothesis being tested in this study?
We hypothesize that individual’s narrative coherence will be predictive of their psychological well-being. Furthermore, we will compare individual’s narrative coherence regarding narratives with high relation to their identity or sense of self vs. little to no relation to their identity or sense of self and expect that the association between narrative coherence and psychological well-being will be more pronounced if narratives are highly related to identity.

3) Describe the key dependent variable(s) specifying how they will be measured.
- Narrative coherence: written narratives will be coded with the Narrative Coherence Coding Scheme (NaCCS; Reese et al., 2011)
- Sense of coherence: Sense of Coherence Scale (SOC-13; Antonovsky, 1987)
- Internalizing symptoms: Depression, Anxiety and Stress Scale (DASS-21; Lovibond & Lovibond, 1995)
- Psychological well-being: Psychological Well-being Scale (42-item version; Ryff & Keyes, 1995)
- Identity distress: Identity Distress Survey (IDS; Berman, Montgomery, & Kurtines, 2004)

4) How many and which conditions will participants be assigned to?
2 conditions (within-subjects): all participants will have to write about both an event with high relation to their identity or sense of self and an event with little to no relation to their identity or sense of self. The order of the writing task will be counterbalanced across participants.

5) Specify exactly which analyses you will conduct to examine the main question/hypothesis.
First, we will run a series of bivariate correlations to test the hypothesis that narrative coherence is related to various measures of well-being (internalizing symptoms, psychological well-being, identity distress). We will also conduct linear regression to test whether narrative coherence can predict levels of well-being in individuals. We will do this for the narrative coherence of the narratives with high identity content, as well as for the narrative coherence of the narratives with low identity content.

6) Describe exactly how outliers will be defined and handled, and your precise rule(s) for excluding observations.
Participants who admit they do not want to write about a personal memory or admit that they are not really making an effort to write, will be excluded.

7) How many observations will be collected or what will determine sample size? No need to justify decision, but be precise about exactly how the number will be determined.
We will conduct this study in a sample size of about 400 participants.

8) Anything else you would like to pre-register? (e.g., secondary analyses, variables collected for exploratory purposes, unusual analyses planned?)
At the end of the study, we will include a questionnaire regarding participants’ perception of their parents’ style of reminiscing during the time that they were 2-18 years old. This is for exploratory purposes, because we want to test whether there are any associations between participants’ narrative coherence and retrospective perception of reminiscing style.