

## Word Count

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One hundred words.

That's three right there,

Taking up valuable space that is better spent

By three others.

I need the weightiest ones if I want to make the most out of my

One hundred words.

I said it again!

There's no room for

Tasteful repetition,

Vivid imagery,

Adjectives,

Catalogs,

Not when they amount to my entire worth.

I will find a way to bottle my six thousand six hundred and thirty-eight days of life  
into

One hundred words,

Succinct, airtight,

(Suffocatingly tight)

All to show the *true* me.

Impossible to truly achieve.

Each word counts.

But at what cost?