

# Bio-Poem

**"I hated every minute of training, but I said, 'Don't quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion.'"**

**Muhammad Ali**








Throughout history, individuals have risen up, faced incredible challenges, persevered, and achieved greatness. These people inspire us with their grit and determination.

Read all you can about an inventor, scientist, author, poet, illustrator, artist, musician or sports figure who made a historic contribution to their field. Use the information you discover during your research to write a bio-poem about your chosen individual.

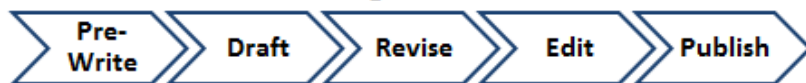
Use the checklist below, the informational writing rubric, and the templates provided as you plan and create a bio-poem.

## Informational Poetry Writing Checklist:

- Title
- The first few lines introduce the topic in an interesting way.
- I clearly explain the importance of my topic.
- I included only accurate, relevant information.
- I used at least 1 idiom in my poem.
- I used at least 2 of the following techniques in my poem:
  - Rhyme Scheme
  - Alliteration
  - Simile
  - Metaphor
- I have checked my writing to ensure correct use of the following:
  - Capitalization
  - End Punctuation

Points Possible	Requirement	Points Earned
40	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>IDEAS</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I clearly and thoroughly explained the topic.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I included many facts, definitions, details, quotations, or examples to better explain my topic.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I stayed focused and did not include unimportant details.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Organization</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I organized my writing into appropriate lines and/or stanzas</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I formatted my writing in a sensible fashion.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Voice</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I used precise language throughout my writing.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is clear that I wrote an informational poem.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Word Choice</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I used strong, appropriate, and varied adjectives and adverbs.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I connected ideas using phrases such as "in contrast" and/or "especially".</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I used essential vocabulary from the text or subject area to inform.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Sentence Fluency</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> My writing sounds perfect when I read aloud.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Conventions</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> I used correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.</li> </ul>	
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Presentation</u></b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The presentation of the text enhances the message.</li> </ul>	

**Writing Process**



Editing	✓	Date	Teacher / Student Conference	
Self-Edit: I have used the checklist/rubric to edit my work.			Yes	No
Peer-Edit: _____ used the checklist/rubric to edit my writing.			Teacher Initials	Date
			Revision Decision	

Teacher Comments

# Bio Poem Format

Title: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Born in \_\_\_\_\_

Child of \_\_\_\_\_

Lived in \_\_\_\_\_

Studied \_\_\_\_\_

Overcame \_\_\_\_\_

Worked as \_\_\_\_\_

Challenged by \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Traits \_\_\_\_\_

Always \_\_\_\_\_

Best known for \_\_\_\_\_

# Research Organizer

<b>Name Of Your Person:</b>	<b>Family Life / Cultural Background:</b>
<b>Where &amp; When He / She Lived:</b>	<b>What Did He /She Do That Made Him / Her Famous?</b>
<b>What Obstacles Did He / She Overcome?</b>	<b>Additional Facts That You Found Interesting</b>
<b>Sources: Where Did You Find Your Information?</b>	