

Lesson#: 2

Title: Acrostic Name Poem

Date: 7/22

Time of day: 11:30-12:00

Artists: Darshini

Materials/Prep: Construction paper, anything you want for decorations (color pencils, markers, paint, stickers, etc), pens

Introduction/Goals: Our names stay with us our whole life. We use them to introduce ourselves to others and create those first moments of connection. If people could hear your name and know exactly what awesome qualities you possess, what would they be? In this activity, you get to share what makes you unique and awesome by assigning each letter of your

name an adjective or phrase that best describes YOU.

Activity: Write your first name vertically on your piece of paper. Using each letter, write a phrase or an adjective that describes you. You can make the phrases rhyme, list multiple words

or turn your name into a story. Have fun experimenting with meter, rhyme schemes, or alliteration. It's up to you! Once you've completed your poem, take some time to decorate your

paper. Then hang it up somewhere you can see it often to remind you of all your awesome qualities!

Examples:

[John Keats - Acrostic : Georgiana Augusta Keats](#)

[Edgar Allan Poe - Elizabeth](#)

[Lewis Carroll - Acrostic](#)

Vocabulary: Acrostic, poetry, horizontal, vertical, rhyme, rhyme scheme, meter, alliteration

Closing: Students come together to share their artwork and poetry

Successes: Students use positive and empowering adjectives to describe themselves

Challenges: Students struggle with word placement/spacing

CA State Standard(s): PK.VA:Cr1.1, VA:Cr1.1, 2.VA:Cr2.1, 3.VA:Cr2.1 PK.VA:Cn10

Relevant Artist(s) and Distinguished People: Edgar Allen Poe, Lewis Carroll, John Keats

VIDEO: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aHyOyxk-XSo>