

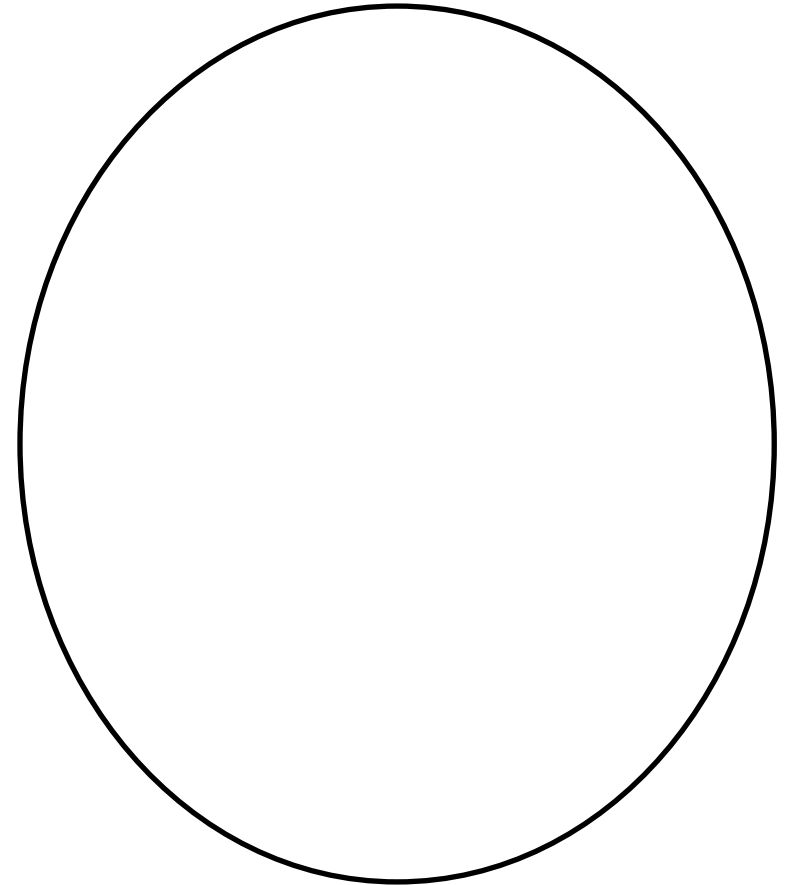
Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Writing With Purpose**

## Write a Bio Poem

A short poem that describes a person or thing is called a biography (bio) poem. The form of bio poems can vary, but below is a typical example:

### **BIO POEM FORMAT**

- Line 1 First name of the person
- Line 2 Three or four character traits of the person
- Line 3 An important relationship or relationships of the person
- Line 4 Three or four things or people the person loves or loved
- Line 5 Three or four feelings the person has or had
- Line 6 Three or four fears the person has or had
- Line 7 Three or four things the person needs or needed
- Line 8 Three or four things the person has given
- Line 9 Three or four things the person wants or wanted
- Line 10 Where the person lives or lived
- Line 11 Last name of the person



**DIRECTIONS:** On a separate sheet of paper, using the format as a guide, write your own bio poem about a historical person you admire. You do not have to follow the format exactly, you may play with it a little as in the sample poem.