

## I AM FROM

*Answer the following questions on a blank piece of paper.*

1. Place: Where were you born; where have you lived.
2. People: Name three people who inspire you.
3. Food: Who is the best cook in your family and what is it that he or she makes.
4. Toys/Games: Name favorite games, hobbies, collections. No electronic games.
5. Sayings: Write things people say to you or that you hear often.

*Flip over the paper.*

*Write your name in the center of the sheet and circle.*

*Answer the following questions, putting things very important to you near your name and everything else further from your name.*

*Write as many answers as possible in the time allowed. Fill up the paper!*

1. What are your favorite ice cream flavors.
2. What are colors that inspire you. Use descriptive colors.
3. What colors represent sadness in your world.
4. What are your favorite books and authors.
5. What are your favorite movies.
6. What is the saddest thing that ever happened to you or your family.
7. What are the best things to ever happen to you or your family.
8. What is your favorite music, band, singer, song, lyrics.

*Circle some of the positive responses.*

*Put a rectangle around some of the negative responses.*

*Decide if you want to begin your poem with a positive or negative idea; it sets the tone.*

*Include a quote in your poem (at the beginning is best).*

*You will have 10 minutes to write, beginning with "I AM FROM"*