

ILA Summer Assignment for Students Entering Grade 6 (2010-2011)

Assignment #1: "All about Me" Poem

Directions: Write a personal, original poem about yourself using the formula below and referring to the example for assistance. Be creative!

Method:

Line 1: Your first name

Line 2: Four descriptive traits about yourself (Hint: Adjectives)

Line 3: Sibling of... (Complete this line with the names of your siblings)

Line 4: Lover of... (Complete this line with at least 3 items that you love)

Line 5: Fears... (Complete this line with at least 3 items that you fear)

Line 6: Needs... (Complete this line with at least 3 items that you need)

Line 7: Gives... (Complete this line with at least 3 things that you give)

Line 8: Would like to see... (Complete this line with at least 3 things/places you would like to see)

Line 9: Resident of... (Complete this line with the name, description, location of where you live)

Line 10: Your last name

Sample: "A Poem about Me"

Alysa

Short, feisty, artsy, crafty

Sibling of Phyllis and Sam

Lover of cats, flowers, and ice cream

Fears making mistakes, missing a meal, and swimming in the ocean

Needs a haircut, new sneakers, and love

Gives help where needed, money to the poor, and hand-me-downs to my sister

Would like to see peace on earth, the oil spill cleaned up, and an end to war

Resident of NJ

Cummings

Typing Instructions: Center the title of your poem on the page. Use the left margin for each of the 10 lines of your poem. Use correct punctuation, capitalization, and spelling

Assignment #2

Directions: Read one novel within the reading level of Grade 5.5-6.5. You may choose any genre of your choice. Fill out the form below. You will earn credit for the Sixth Grade Reading Chart for Trimester 1. (Each student is encouraged to read 3 novels each trimester)

Name: _____ Grade/Section: _____

Title of Novel: _____

Author: _____

Genre: _____ Date Read: _____

Both assignments are due the first week of school. Happy reading and writing!