

Handout

My Identity Poem

Directions: Review “Two Names, Two Worlds” and notice the structure of the poem, how Jonathan shifts between two languages, and where he uses specific details to tell his story. Then use the following sentence starters, inspired by the poem, to create your own identity poem. You don’t need to write in multiple languages. Use the sentence starters for guidance if they help, but know that you can be creative and write in your own unique voice.

Title: _____

Hi, I’m _____ No _____

Born in _____

But raised in _____

I’m not the typical _____

I get lost in _____

I listen to _____

But don’t make me _____

I’m proud to say _____

I’m beginning to appreciate that _____

I’m beginning to see that _____

Join me and we’ll _____

Here we’ll _____