

## Lesson 3: Handout 1

### “Where I’m From” Poem

**Step 1:** Answering the following questions will prepare you to write your “Where I’m From” poem.

1. Describe where you live. What does it look like? What does it smell like? What does it feel like? (This could be your actual house, or it could be another place that represents where you are from.)
2. What objects or belongings can be found in your home or room (List at least three.)
3. What are the names of people in your “family”? (They could be alive or deceased, they do not need to be blood relations.)
4. List two or three family traditions.
5. What phrases, words, or sayings are important to you or to members of your family?
6. What are some beliefs that represent where you are from?
7. What foods are important to you or your family?
8. List two or three important childhood memories.
9. Describe the weather where you are from.
10. What do people do where you are from?
11. What are your favorite things to do?

**Step 2:** Incorporate your answers to the questions above into your “Where I’m From” poem. Simply add “I’m from” or “From” to the beginning of each line, in the same style as the sample you have been shown.