

# Biography File Folder Report

## Assignment:

1. Choose a biography of someone who you are interested in
2. Have it approved by your teacher no later than: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Read the book and write a summary based on the guidelines (see attached).

**Your rough draft is due:** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Follow the details for the File folder report:

**All book reports are due by:** \_\_\_\_\_

5. Give presentation dressed up as your famous person based on the guidelines (see below) **Your presentation is on:** \_\_\_\_\_
6. **Be creative and have fun.**

Happy reading!!!!

## File Folder Report Guidelines

**Front cover:** Draw and attach a picture of your famous person

**Back Cover:** Create and attach an acrostic poem about your famous person

**Inside left cover:** Create and attach a timeline of important life events

**Inside right cover:** Attach your written report on your famous person

**File folder tab:** Write the name of your famous person on the tab of the folder

**Inside folder:** Place your script for your presentation of your famous person (do not attach)

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## Note to Parents:

This biography file folder project will count as a language arts grade for this quarter.

**This project is due:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions about this project during the process please feel free to contact me. All of the project pages are attached to this packet and can also be sent via email if necessary.

Please sign and return this portion so I know you are aware of the components and due dates of this project:

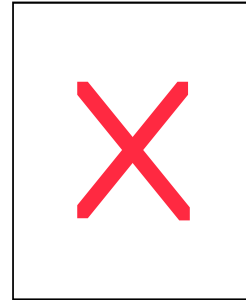
Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Detailed descriptions of each section:

### **Famous Person Drawing:**

Draw a picture in color of your famous person on the portrait paper provided. Decorate the background of your portrait. Label your person's full name in large neat lettering years of birth and death. Write your first and last name and in small lettering in the lower corner of the paper.



and  
date

### **Timeline:**

Use the provided paper to create a timeline of the person's life. We will complete a guided one in class prior to this project so you will know exactly how to do this. It must include at least 5 important events in your person's life. Add drawings to the timeline to make it more interesting.

### **Acrostic Poem:**

Write a poem using the letters of a person's name. Write details of the person's life and personality. An example would be:

**A**ccomplished greatness by writing her remarkable diary

**N**ever seen without a laugh and a smile

**N**icknamed Mistress chatterbox by her teacher

**E**xcellent at writing in her diary

**F**unny and made people laugh

**R**an from Nazis for more than two years

**A**nne Frank was born on June 12, 1929

**N**azi people tried to find and kill her family

**K**illed by a disease called Typhus

### **Biography Presentation/Script:**

You will be required to do a two-minute presentation on your famous person. You will be required to dress up as your famous person and write a script to present to the class in first person ("I am").

Include the following information in your script:

- Date and location on birth
- Why your person is famous
- 5 important events in the persons life
- A quote form your person
- An interesting fact about your person
- Any contributions they made to society

# Grading Rubric

## Summary

- |                                      |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| _____ Name (5)                       | _____ Famous quote (10)             |
| _____ Date and location of birth (5) | _____ Question and Fact(5)          |
| _____ Why are they famous? (10)      | _____ Spelling (5)                  |
| _____ Plot – Childhood (15)          | _____ Capitalization/Punctuation(5) |
| _____ Adulthood (15)                 | _____ Indents (5)                   |
| _____ Accomplishments (15)           | _____ Cursive or typed (5)          |

## Project

- \_\_\_\_\_ Name of famous person (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Colorful and thorough (20)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Neat and well put together (20)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Follow directions of the project (40)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Picture (10)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Poem (10)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Timeline (10)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Report and Script (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spelling/Capitalization/Punctuation (10)

## Presentation

- \_\_\_\_\_ Name of famous person (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Why your person is famous (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 important events (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ A quote (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Contributions (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Interesting facts(10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Length of time 2-3 minutes (10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Costume (30)

**Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Final Grade:**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 300

# Biography Report Guidelines

## **Paragraph 1**

Write an introduction paragraph. Be sure to answer the following questions:

- What is the book's title and author?
- Who the person your book is about?
- Why is that person famous for?
- What is a famous or inspirational quote that your person is know for?

## **Paragraph 2**

Describe your famous person's childhood. Be sure to answer the following questions:

- When and where were they born?
- What was their family life like (did they grow up with both parents? Any brothers and sisters?)
- Was there anything significant that happened in their life that relates to why they are famous?
- Did they have any dreams as he or she was growing up? Did they ever want to be anything else when they were young?

## **Paragraph 3**

Describe your famous person's adulthood. Be sure to answer the following questions:

- What was their education level?
- What was their occupation when they grew up?
- Where did the live as they became an adult?
- What do you think was the major turning point in their lives to give them the opportunity to be who they became?

## **Paragraph 4**

Describe your famous person's accomplishments. Be sure to answer the following questions:

- What did this person accomplish that makes him or her memorable?
- What contribution did this person make to society? Did they help others in any way (volunteer at a homeless shelter, donate money to the needy)?
- Do you think this person struggled much to reach his or her dreams? Why do you feel this way?

## **Paragraph 5**

Write a conclusion paragraph. Be sure to answer the following questions:

- If you met this person today, what is one question you would ask them?
- What is the most interesting fact you learned about you famous person?
- What do you have in common with that person?

# **Acrostic Poem about Anne Frank**

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## **Anne Frank Script**

Hi, My name is Anne Frank. I was born on June 12, 1929 in Frankfurt am Main. I am famous because I wrote a diary while in hiding during the time of the Nazi's in Germany. Five important events in my life were Hitler becoming Chancellor of Germany and passing Anti-Jewish laws, getting an autographed book from my dad that I decided to use as a diary, moving to Amsterdam, having to go into hiding from my family to conceal ourselves from the German government, and my mother dying from starvation in a concentration camp. An interesting fact about me is that I named my diary, "Kitty". My contribution to society was a first hand account of what it was like to be a Jewish girl during the time of Adolf Hitler. I helped people in the future learn about what he did and how he treated people just because they were different. One quote I know for is, "Despite everything, I believe people are really good at heart."