

Prewriting for “Where I’m From” Poem

- Before prewriting, please listen to the poem “Where I’m From” by George Ella Lyon
<http://www.georgeellalyon.com/audio/where.mp3>
- Read some of the student poems based on this poem. [Where I’m From Poems Project Hope](#)
- Use the table below to think about the details of where you are from. You can work alone or with a partner.

Names of people who were (and are) important to you	Special foods or meals	Games or activities you used to play	Phrases that were often repeated in your family	Ordinary household items or things in the yard outside	Family Traditions or stories	Smells, tastes	Song titles or lines from songs

After you have finished, circle the details you would like to put in a poem. Then follow the structure below to start to write your poem.

I am from _____

I am from _____

And from _____

I am from _____

From _____

Continue as long as you wish.