

## 3-5: MY AUTOBIOGRAPHY

*Related academic subjects: fine arts, language arts, social studies*



1. Brainstorm a list of ten topics, such as “Favorite Foods,” “My Family,” or “When I Grow Up.”

2. Leave a one inch margin on the left of each page to allow for binding.

3. Each page should be dedicated to a topic. Start with one sentence and branch out from there. If you were writing about your favorite foods, you could start with: “I love to eat chicken because it can be cooked in so many different ways.”

4. Add illustrations, magazine pictures, stickers, etc.

5. Cut two equal-sized pieces of pressed cardboard to serve as the book’s cover.

6. Write your name and the title of your book on the front cover and add an illustration or a photo of yourself.

7. Punch holes along the left of the cover and pages.

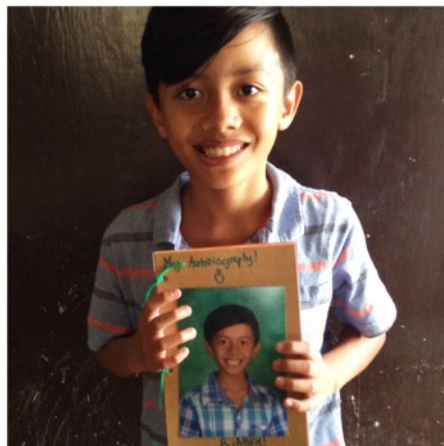
8. Cut three 6” pieces of yarn.

9. Thread one piece of yarn through each hole and knot it (or tie it into a bow) to bind the book.

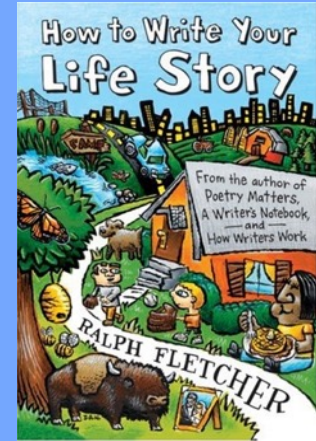
10. Swap books with the person sitting next to you. What new things did you learn about your classmate?

## MATERIALS:

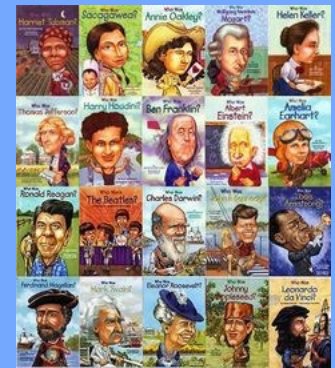
1. colored or scrapbook paper
2. magazine pictures, stickers, and other decorations
3. glue
4. markers
5. pressed cardboard from cereal or tissue boxes
6. scissors
7. three-hole punch
8. yarn



## BOOKS:



[How to Write Your Life Story, by Ralph Fletcher](#)



[Who Was? series, by Penguin Books](#)



## VIDEO:

[Learn About Biography, by BrainPop](#)

## WEBSITE:

[Graphic Organizers for Personal Narratives, by Scholastic](#)

