

BIOGRAPHY BOTTLE PERSON

Third Grade Project

As part of the third grade state curriculum, the student will be expected to write a biography and create a bottle person of their Massachusetts person. Students are expected to read 30 minutes each night.

1. Each student must read a biography book appropriate for student's level. Please send in the book for teacher approval. A biography is a true story of a real person, alive or deceased. A list of famous Massachusetts people are attached. We recently have read a biography in our reading series.
2. After reading the book, student must complete a biography "Bottle Person Report". There are two parts to the "Bottle Person Report".

Part One:

1. Collect the following items
 - a. Empty plastic two-liter bottle
 - b. Cup of sand or dirt
 - c. Various arts and craft supplies - yarn, markers, paint, crayons, construction paper, scraps of fabric, (HINT: medium sized styrofoam ball works great for the head).
2. Fill the bottle with sand or dirt so it will stand up.
3. Decorate your bottle to represent your famous person

Part Two:

- Students must write 3 paragraphs about the person they read about
 - Attached is a graphic organizer to help your child plan his/her writing
 - After making a plan, student should write a rough draft and have a parent read the rough draft to make corrections
 - Reread, edit and revise the rough draft
 - Next, the student will write their final copy. Please make sure final copies are neat, have correct spelling and punctuation and make sense (no typing, please)
 - Student will pass in their writing with their bottle person
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Address these Key Questions in your report

What achievements made your person famous or notable in Massachusetts' history?

What life experiences or events helped shape this person's life?

What is the most important achievement we should remember about this person?

Students have 4 weeks to complete this project

- Week 1 -choose and read biography (Mar. 21 - April 1)
- Weeks 2 and 3 - write rough draft and final copy (Mar 28 - April 8)
- Week 4 - create bottle person (April 11-15)

Please see the grading criteria below.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me so I may help you
NO late projects will be accepted!

Grading Criteria

Bottle Person

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| Creativity | 20 points |
| Neatness | 20 points |

Writing

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| Spelling, punctuation, complete sentences | 20 points |
| Sentence variety | 20 points |
| Paragraph form (3 paragraphs) | 10 points |
| Neatness | 10 points |

Name: _____

Due:

Research Questions for the Famous Massachusetts People Report

Directions: Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

First Paragraph: Opener and Early Life

1. Which famous Massachusetts person did you decide to study?

2. Where was this famous Massachusetts person born?

3. Who were this famous Massachusetts person's parents? What did his or her parents do for a living?

4. How many siblings did this famous Massachusetts have? What was their position in the birth order? Did they have a favorite sibling?

5. As a child what games, hobbies, or pets did they have?

6. Where was this famous Massachusetts person educated? What did they learn / study? What subjects were they especially interested in or good at? Did they have a favorite or special teacher or mentor?

Second Paragraph: Midlife

7. Did this famous Massachusetts person go to college? If so where?

8. Describe the jobs did this famous Massachusetts person did?

9. How did their education and job experience help them in the future?

10. Who did they marry? When and Where?

11. Did this famous Massachusetts person have any children? If so how many? Boys or Girls?

Third Paragraph: Achievements / End of Life

12. What achievements made your person famous or notable in Massachusetts' history?

13. What life experiences or events helped shape this person's life?

14. When did this famous Massachusetts person retire? What did they do in their retirement?

15. When, where, and how did this famous Massachusetts person die?

16. What is the most important achievement we should remember about this person?

List of Famous Massachusetts People

John Adams 2nd U.S. president, *Braintree*
John Quincy Adams 6th U.S. president, *Braintree*
Samuel Adams patriot, *Boston*
Eli Whitney inventor, *Westborough*
John Greenleaf Whittier poet, *Haverhill*
Eli Whitney inventor, *Westboro*
Jo Dee Messina country singer, *Holliston*
Jack Albertson actor, *Malden*
Horatio Alger author, *Revere*
Susan B. Anthony woman suffragist, *Adams*
F. Lee Bailey defense attorney, *Waltham*
Clara Barton American Red Cross founder, *Oxford*
Leonard Bernstein conductor, *Lawrence*
Forrest M. Bird inventor, *Stoughton*
Harold Stephen Black inventor, *Leominster*
Rachel Fuller Brown inventor, *Springfield*
William Cullen Bryant poet, editor, *Cumington*
Luther Burbank horticulturist, *Lancaster*
George Bush 41st U.S. president, *Milton*
John Chapman / Johnny Appleseed nurseryman, *Leominster*
William D. Coolidge inventor, *Hudson*
John Singleton Copley painter, *Boston*
E. E. Cummings poet, *Cambridge*
Bette Davis actress, *Lowell*
Cecil B. DeMille film director, *Ashfield*
Emily Dickinson poet, *Amherst*
Ralph Waldo Emerson philosopher, poet, *Boston*
Brian Evans singer, *Haverhill*
Ann Smith Franklin printer, almanac publisher, *Boston*
Benjamin Franklin statesman, scientist, *Boston*
Buckminster Fuller architect, educator, *Milton*
Robert Hutchings Goddard rocketry, *Worcester*
John Hancock statesman, *Braintree*
Nathaniel Hawthorne author, *Salem*
Oliver Wendell Holmes poet, *Cambridge*
Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. jurist, *Boston*
Winslow Homer painter, *Boston*
Elias Howe inventor, *Spencer*
Helen Hunt Jackson writer, *Amherst*
John F. Kennedy U.S. president, *Brookline*
Amy Lowell poet, *Brookline*

Percival Lowell astronomer, *Boston*
James Russell Lowell poet, *Cambridge*
Robert Lowell poet, *Boston*
Horace Mann educator, *Franklin*
Cotton Mather clergyman, *Boston*
Sharon Christa McAuliffe teacher, astronaut, *Framingham*
Samuel F. B. Morse painter, inventor, *Charlestown*
Leonard Nemoy actor, *Boston*
Albert Pike pioneer teacher, lawyer, *Boston*
Edgar Allan Poe writer, *Boston*
Ella Raines actress, *Snoquaimie*
Paul Revere silversmith, Revolutionary War figure, *Boston*
Robert H. Rines inventor, *Boston*
Dr. Seuss Theodore Geisel author, illustrator, *Springfield*
Lucy Stone woman suffragist, *West Brookfield*
Louis Henry Sullivan architect, *Boston*
Henry David Thoreau author, *Concord*
Max Tishler inventor, *Boston*
James McNeill Whistler painter, *Lowell*
Eli Whitney inventor, *Westborough*
John Greenleaf Whittier poet, *Haverhill*
Jo Dee Messina country singer, *Holliston*

Examples of Bottle People



<https://sites.google.com/a/wareham.k12.ma.us/mrs-quimby-third-grade/home/massachusetts-biography-bottle-person-project>

The link above has pictures and more information you can view about this exciting project

I have read and understand the expectations of this biography project.
Return this portion to school by _____ Thank You

Student signature _____

Parent Signature _____

1st Choice _____

2nd choice _____

I know this project is due on _____.