

## **Acrostic with a Twist**

In this activity, students will create an acrostic poem with a twist. Normally, an acrostic is created using the first letter of each word or sentence. In this project, students can use letters from the middle or even the ends of their words / sentences.

### **Getting Ready:**

Choose a word that is associated with your topic

Write descriptive words or phrases associated with that topic

Look for “matching” letters as you write a draft of your acrostic

### **Entering Vertical Text:**

Open PowerPoint slide, click on the Word Art tool, in the Word Art window, choose a vertical text option

click and drag the center of the word to move the WordArt to the center of the screen

Click and drag a handle point to make the word art larger

Use the Word Art toolbar to change the shape, colour, font

### **Adding Facts:**

Click to select the Text Box tool

click and drag to create a “box” beside the letter of your vertical word

Enter a descriptor or phrase that contains that letter, edit font and size, if desired

Delete the “matching” letter and press the space bar several times, click and drag (or nudge) the text box to the appropriate location. Change the spacing as necessary, repeat for next line.

### **Finishing Touches:**

Add an appropriate graphic, if desired

Use the text box to add your name to the slide, print