Biographical Patterned Poems

Use one of the following forms to write a poem about your adopted persona. Be as accurate as possible, trying several words/phrases before you decide which to use.

Line 1 -	First name	Amelia
Line 2 -	Four words/phrases that describe you	Athletic, adventurous, adaptable, ambitious Lover of the Kinner Airster, the Canary, the Friendship Who believes failure should be a challenge Who wants to feel speed, to fight for unpopular causes, and to fly solo across the Atlantic ocean Who uses education, practice, and determination Who gives dedication to her community, competition to her fellow flyers, and inspiration to all
Line 3 -	Lover of (3 things or ideas you love)	
Line 4 -	Who believes (1 or more idea/s)	
Line 5 -	Who wants (3 things)	
Line 6 -	Who uses (3 methods or things)	
Line 7 -	Who gives (3 things)	
Line 8 -	Who says (a favorite quote or saying)	
Line 9 -	Last name	Who says, "Women like men, should try to do
		the impossible."
		Earhart

The "I Am" Poem

1- Start with "I am"

2- Three nouns about which you have strong feelings

3- A complete sentence about two things you like

4- Three nouns that describe qualities you like to see in other people; end the sentence with "are important to me"

5- A sentence containing a positive thought or feeling; it can tell what you find acceptable within yourself.

6 & 7- Show something negative about yourself or others; however, finish the sentence by showing that out of something bad can come good. Use the word "but" to link the bad and good. 8, 9 & 10- Each line is a short sentence relating something about which you have strong feelings—likes or dislikes. These do not have to relate to each other or the previous lines you have written.

11- End with "This is me. I am!"

I am

Mother, Wife, and Teacher
I like big families and little kids
Integrity, Humor, and Nature
are important to me.
I find fulfillment in education, my
own and yours.

I can be bossy when I want something done, but my energy Is a contagion.

I love my siblings; I adore my children; I honor my husband. This is me. I am!

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