**Directions:**

Using the poem below as a model, create a recipe for yourself. Use vivid verbs and many adjectives to provide details about you, your family, and your interests.As you create your recipe, think about all of the wonderful things that make up you. Consider activities (school related or non), sports, friends, family members (alive or dead), and anything else you want to tell me. What do you do outside of school? **Be sure to include ingredients, cooking directions, and serving directions (in this exact order).** Poems must be ***single spaced*** and ***typed***! Grammar and spelling always count, so check over your poem carefully. Be sure to include a **title in** **quotation marks**. Finally, include of a photo that shows your ‘recipe.’ Have fun! **Minimum length: 20 lines**. **Use this template to get you started.**

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| **Ingredients (minimum of 6)****Draft Due: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |  |
| **Cooking Directions****Draft Due: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |  |
| **Serving Directions** |  |

Please feel free to use this cooking jargon in your recipe. You are not bound by this list, however, I have provided these words to get you started. Enjoy!

* Bake Dice Drizzle Boil Marinate
* Garnish Fry Sauté Glaze Grill
* Sear Knead Steam Serve Broil
* Poach Mince Sieve Roast Mix
* Sift Scramble Purée Measure Simmer
* Whisk Cut Braise Blend Sprinkle
* Chop Stir Grade Fold Blanch

**Use the following example to write your own “recipe” for yourself.**

“Antipasti a la Avella”

To make this witty and outgoing English teacher:

1. Take one older restaurant managing brother, one older comedian/graphic designer brother, a Jewel truck driving father, and a retired elementary school Art teacher mother
2. Blend with a beautiful, caring nurse (my wife)
3. Whisk in a friendly, laidback sister-in-law
4. Carefully puree a chubby, curious, adorable four-year-old niece
5. Drop in an energetic, slobbery, mischievous black lab (sadly remove, but let his memory remain in the batter)
6. Stir in twelve cousins, along with some second cousins, and a splash of other relatives and friends. Include a young and feisty grandmother on my father’s side.

Check for missing ingredients: (a loving grandmother on my mother’s side, two wise grandfathers and a charismatic cousin)

Garnish profusely, adding:

1. A love for playing Ultimate Frisbee, softball, Frisbee golf and Bagg-O
2. A fondness for food, going to concerts, learning about other cultures and traveling
3. A drive to learn new things
4. A love of spending time with my family and friends
5. A pride in my Italian and Scottish heritage
6. A yearning to compete again in gymnastics
7. A desire to inspire students to realize their true potential
8. An excited anticipation for a wonderful year with my new students

Serve on a sunny, carefree day while travelling the world in the summer for many years to come:

1. Drizzle in many hours of fishing with my dad, talking with my mom, and hanging out with my friends.
2. Dice up many hours of Ultimate Frisbee, experiencing new restaurants, and sauté one dozen belt buckles.
3. Top with a fun, always can-count-on, very close family.