

American Literature
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1. Who was Ralph Waldo Emerson? Write a paragraph that contains a brief biography of the man, including when and where he lived, what he is famous for and what he believed in (there is a name for this philosophy.)
2. Locate a famous quote attributed to Emerson that you agree with and paste it onto this paper.
3. Rewrite the quote in your own words and explain what it means and why you agree with it.
4. What is Transcendentalism? (Or what did the Transcendentalists believe in?) How is this philosophy different from the predominant philosophy of Emerson's days – Materialism (or Mechanism).