

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following question(s) based on your understanding of the poem *A Psalm of Life* by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

1. What is the author's attitude towards life and death?

Answer the following questions based on your understanding of the poem. (20 points)

2. Do you agree with the philosophy of life presented in the poem? Explain your answer, noting at least two specific points of agreement or disagreement.

3. At what type of event do you think it would be especially appropriate to read aloud this poem? Support your idea with reference to the poem.

(blank instruction text) (blank points text)

4. Do you think that living in the present without giving thought to the past or future is possible? Is it desirable? Explain.