## American Literature Transcendentalism Web Search

- 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)?