GRADES 4–5

Maya Angelou Literature Research

Name / chosen name: _____

Maya Angelou · 1928–2014
Literature and public life

Maya Angelou was a writer, poet and performer. In 1969 she published I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, a memoir about her early life. A memoir is a person's written account of experiences. She later published more books and poetry and took part in civil rights work. Her life shows how literature can communicate experiences and ideas. Use a reliable biography to learn more; do not invent quotations or copy long passages from her writing. An educator can choose age-appropriate texts.

1. What is one achievement described in the text?

2. Which detail supports your answer?

3. How does this contribution connect to a wider community or field?

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