One of Eugene Field’s favorite pranks was to write a poem while pretending to be someone else. He would even sign the poem as them! Can you write a poem while pretending to be someone else? Try thinking of things that they like and dislike. Read through the example below and then use the backside of this page to write your own poem.

**The Missing Mouse**

My favorite toy is gone!
I cannot remember where I hid it.
My little gray mouse makes a rattle sound when I bat it.
My mouse is fun to hide in boxes and under the stove,
but now my mouse is missing!
I have made a lot of noise to alert my owner of the problem.
She has looked everywhere and cannot find my mouse either!
Oh! I miss my little gray mouse!
There it is! It was in the laundry!
I am so happy to have my little gray mouse back!
Now I can bat it and make it rattle.
Oh! I batted it under the stove.
I must meow very loudly to alert my owner.
She is really good at getting my mouse out from under the stove.

−Tuxedo Cat
PRANK POETRY

Name: ________________________
Date: _________________________

Use the lines below to write your own poem while pretending to be someone else.