

Session 1

Activity 1 – Who Am I?

Ask students to listen as you give them clues about a famous personality. Read the clues one at a time, in the order they are listed. Allow time for the students to guess the person after each clue is given. Challenge the students to guess with as few clues read as possible.

WHO AM I?

Famous Person #1

Clues:

- She was born on September 4, 1981 in Houston, Texas.
- She is a premier songwriter, producer, singer, fashion designer and actress.
- She is a founding member of one of the best-selling female vocal groups of all time, Destiny's Child.
- She made her major motion picture debut in Austin Power's Goldmember.
- She played "Deena Jones" in the cinematic version of the Broadway classic, "Dream Girls".

Answer: **Beyonce Knowles – World famous performer**

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Famous Person #2

Clues:

- She is an authoress, poet, playwright, editor, songwriter, singer, teacher, dancer and actress.
- When her parents divorced, her brother and she went to live with her grandmother in Stamps, Arkansas.
- She didn't talk from age 8 to 13 after being traumatized by the murder of the man who raped her.
- One famous book she wrote is really her autobiography and is titled, "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings".
- Her birth name is Marguerite Johnson but her brother gave her the first name she now uses.
- She wrote the poem, "On the Pulse of Morning" and read it at President Clinton's inauguration in January 1993.

Answer: **Maya Angelou – Internationally known personality**

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Famous Person #3

Clues:

- He was born on December 30, 1984 in Akron, Ohio.
- His favorite high school class was Earth Science.
- His favorite rapper is Jay-Z.
- His favorite film of all time is FRIDAY which was released in 1995.
- He wears number 23 as a tribute to Michael Jordan.
- He has a 95 million dollar shoe contract with Nike.

Answer: **LeBron James – Basketball Star**

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Famous Person #4

Clues:

- He was raised in Richmond, Virginia.
- He liked to play a sport that required a racquet, balls, and a court.
- He was outstanding at playing this sport, so his father sent him away to live when he was a teenager so that he could have many courts to play on and many people to coach him.
- As an adult, he became a world champion by winning his game on the highest levels of competition.
- One day he became ill and had to have a blood transfusion. The blood was contaminated with the HIV virus, which eventually caused this person's death from AIDS.
- During his lifetime, he did many good things and he believed in children having role-models to look up to. He founded the Virginia Heroes, Incorporated mentoring program.
- His statue has been placed on Monument Avenue in Richmond, Virginia along with other heroes.

Answer: **Arthur Ashe – Tennis Champion and Hero**

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Activity 2 – The Me Report

Have the students complete “The Me Report” form independently. Then pair the students. Allow the students to share their information with their partners. Then allow the students to introduce one another to the class.

1. My full name is _____.
2. I like to be called _____.
3. I have _____ brothers.
4. I have _____ sisters.
5. My favorite subject in school is (was) _____.
6. My least favorite subject in school is (was) _____.
7. My favorite color is _____.
8. My least favorite color is _____.
9. The best book I ever read was _____.
10. My favorite movie is _____.
11. My favorite actor is _____.
12. My favorite actress is _____.
13. My favorite television program is _____.
14. My favorite song is _____.
15. My favorite singer is _____.
16. My favorite sport is _____.
17. The thing I like to do most in my spare time is _____.
18. Of all my possessions, if I could only keep one thing it would be my _____.