

# Ralph Waldo Emerson's "Concord Hymn"

This is a famous poem by Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882). The first line rhymes with the third line, the second line with the fourth line, and so on. Unscramble each term in capital letters.

By the rude bridge that arched the flood,

Their flag to April's breeze unfurled,

Here once the embattled farmers **ODOTS**

And fired the shot heard round the **DWOLR**.

The foe long since in silence slept;

Alike the conqueror silent sleeps;

And Time the ruined bridge has **PEWST**

Down the dark stream which seaward **SCPEER**.

On this green bank, by this soft stream,

We set today a votive stone;

That memory may their deed **MEDERE**,

When, like our sires, our sons are **EGON**.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare,

To die, and leave their children free,

Bid Time and Nature gently **PEARS**

The shaft we raise to them and **HEET**.

## Handwriting Practice

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