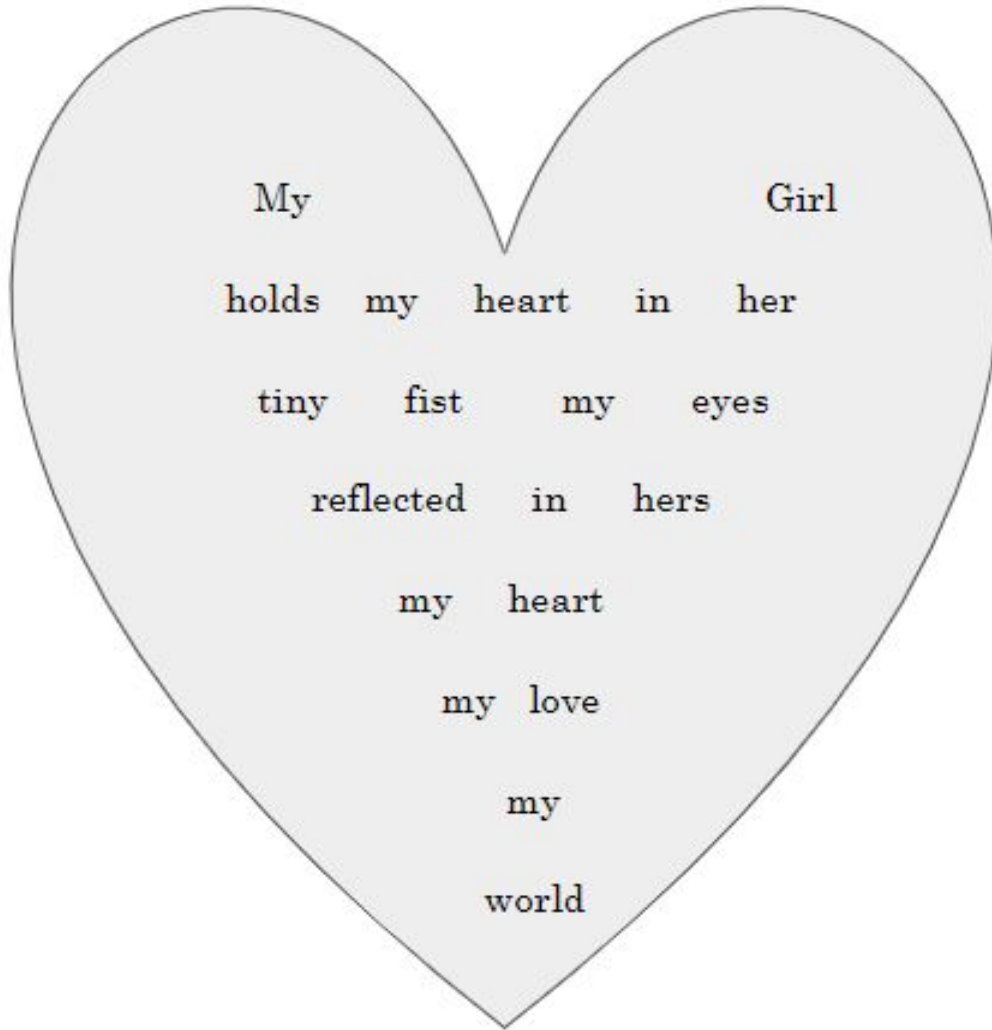


## Mentor Text

Watch the Meaning From Shape video and follow along with the Mentor Text below. After you've watched the video, answer the question at the bottom of the page.



**After you finish the video, answer this question:  
If you could be a shape, which shape would you be and why?**

# Reflection Questions

Answer the questions below to analyze how the shape of the Mentor Text adds to its meaning, tone, or beauty.

1. **What is the poem about? Why did the speaker of the poem choose to write the lines of the poem in a heart shape?**
  
2. **How would you describe the tone (the mood or vibe) of this poem? How does the shape connect to its tone? Why do you think the poet choose to write the word “heart” in the center of the shape?**
  
3. **Read the version of the same poem below, without its shape. What do you think is lost when the lines of the poem are no longer in the shape of a heart? Do you prefer one version of the poem over the other? Why?**

*My Girl*  
*hold my heart in her*  
*tiny fist my eyes*  
*reflected in hers*  
*my heart*  
*my love*  
*my world*



## Your Visual Poem

Finally, turn your poem into a visual poem by writing it in a shape that contributes to your poem's meaning, tone, and beauty. You can choose any shape or pattern as long as the visual elements are connected to the meaning of your poem.

