

Mother's Day Poem

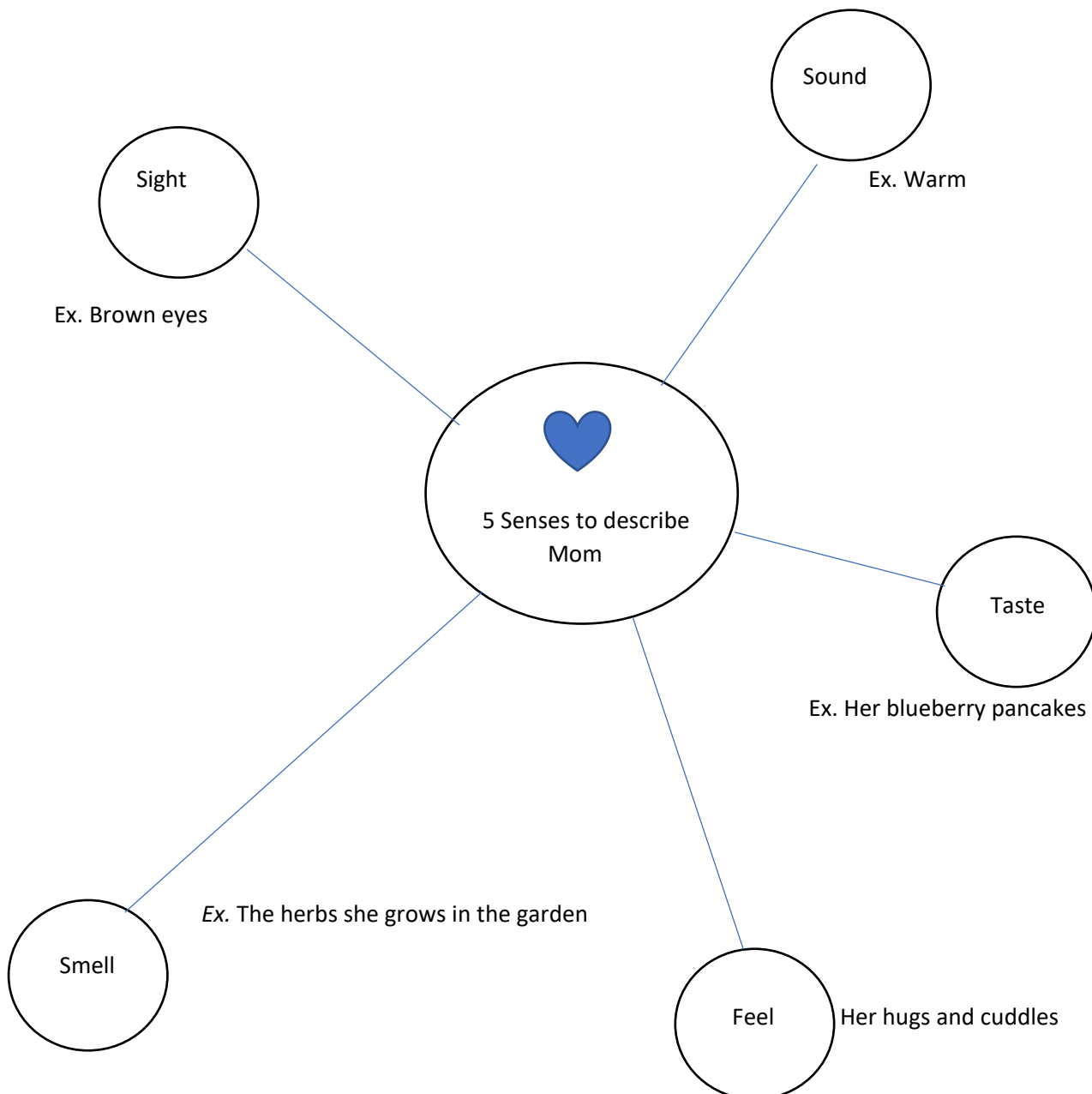
Focus on the senses – we have a lot of practice on this one throughout the year.

Invite your mom to visualize how she makes you feel!

In five paragraphs - please come up with at least 2-3 sentences in each category. You can either direct *the poem to your mom using "you"* or write it about her using *"mom"*. Choose one and stick with it throughout the poem.

Step 1: Planning:

Use your senses to reflect on your mom:



Step 2: Writing

Sight

Focus on little details --- what is her favourite clothing? What colour is her hair? Eyes? Use similies!

"Mom has eyes that are as brown as Mother Earth's fresh soil after the rain"

Sound

What does her voice remind you of? What kind of music does she always listen to? What sounds remind you of mom?

"Mom's voice is as warm as a soft blanket on a cold day – a small chat and all my problems will go away."

Smell

What smells remind you of mom? Is there a certain scent she really enjoys?

"Mom smells refreshing like basil, mint and cilantro she trims and wipes from her garden."

Taste

What food is your mom's specialty to make? What is her favourite food? What food do you always get together?

"Mom is blueberry pancakes on a Sunday morning."

Feel – You can choose physical or emotional.

How does your mom make you feel?

“One hug from mom in the middle of the night and all my nightmares run away”

“Mom’s cuddles feel like falling into a cotton candy cloud.”

Any other thoughts:

Step 3: Edit/Revise

Put the whole poem together. I suggest you separate each sense into its own paragraph (like how we did for our Magic Box poem). *Check for spelling, punctuation, capitalization. Add more detail when you can.*

Step 4: Publish

On a separate sheet of paper, rewrite the poem in your best writing! I recommend using your own printing rather than using the computer because it makes it more personal (and really nice to look back at when you're older!) You may want to use watercolour to design the background of your poem (I would do this before writing the poem). Use fine liner on top of the dried watercolour to write your poem.

Step 5: Share

Feel free to have a family member (who is not your mom) take a look at your work. You may even want to brainstorm and write the whole poem with a sibling/family member (remember to include their name if you do!). Don't forget to sign your name at the end!

Mother's Day is on Sunday May 10th – remember to share your poem with her on this day.