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To my dad I'm a getter of drinks.

To my mum I'm a too long sleeper in bed.

To my sister I'm a punchbag.

To my gran I'm a total genius.

To my dog I'm a taker for walks and a poo bagger.

To my bedroom I'm a champion mess maker.

To my mates I'm the quickest Rubik's cube doer.

Gavin

It seems everyone who knows us sees us slightly – sometimes very – differently.

And now it's your turn. Be sure you read all the details below before you start writing.

- * Note down the family members, friends, neighbours, teachers, pets, places you know and who know you.
- * Now think about each of these and ask yourself how they see you. If asked, what one thing would they say about you? Note your thoughts beside each person, pet, place, etc.
- * Write the title at the top of your page.
- * In any order you like, work through your list, beginning each on a new line, 'To my...I'm'.
- * Complete each line with your idea of how they see you.
- * **Hint 1:** As in Gavin's poem a very good way of making some of your lines is to use what's called a kenning.
- * A **kenning** is a verb that gets made into a noun. So, for example, in Gavin's poem, he gets (verb) drinks for his dad; he sleeps (verb) over-long; he takes (verb) his dog for walks. As nouns these become getter, sleeper, taker. Usually putting '-er' on the end of the basic verb will do the job for you.
- * **Hint 2:** To finish your poem, try starting a line, 'And to myself I'm...'