

Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

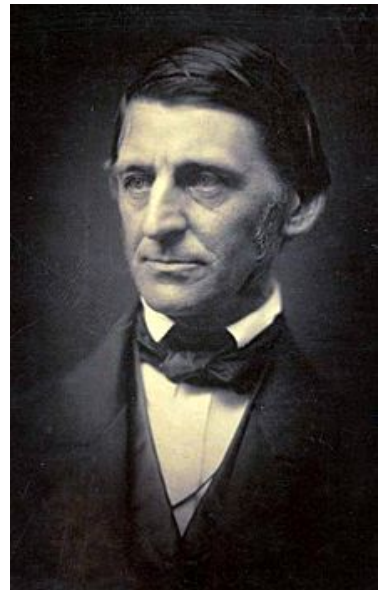
- One of the 19-century's greatest thinkers and writers
- Poet, essayist, philosopher

Life History

- Graduated from Harvard's Divinity School
- After his 1st wife dies he quit the ministry
- Founded the The Dial, literary journal
- Married Lydia Jackson and had four children

Philosophy

- Transcendentalist
- Believed in the oversoul
 - ultimate spiritual force that encompasses all existence and of which every person is a part
- God is in all people
- Unity between human life and nature
- Believed in relying on oneself
- Abolitionist



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