

Reading Skill

ANALYZE AUTHOR'S PURPOSE

An author may write for a variety of purposes. He or she may write to inform, to instruct, to persuade, to entertain, or to reflect. Often an author has more than one purpose for creating a piece of literature. The excerpt about Caedmon is an early **biography**, an account of one person's life.

Directions: As you read, take notes about Caedmon on this cluster diagram. Decide which aspects of his life make him a good role model for readers.

