Rules on Plagiarism

This activity accompanies chapter 4 from *The Heart of Happy Hollow* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 4955.

Activity Title: Rules on Plagiarism

Description: The students will practice citing sources and learn the rules of plagiarism.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Information and Media Literacy - Plagiarism

Behavioral Objective:

• The student will understand the importance of legal and ethical practices, including plagiarism.

Materials:

- The Heart of Happy Hollow, Four: A Matter of Doctrine, available in audio and print form at http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/
- Paper and pencils
- Internet access

Procedures:

Read the fourth chapter of *The Heart of Happy Hollow* or have the students read it on their own. Discuss with the students the story and how Reverend Hayward did not know what plagiarism was. Explain to the students the legal and ethical practices to avoid plagiarism. Have the students practice citing sources, including books, magazines, and articles found on the internet (using MLA, APA etc.). Some good websites are listed below for formatting in MLA and APA.

MLA: http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/557/01/

APA: http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/

