

Metaphor

This activity accompanies “Suppose,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5341.

Activity Title: Metaphor

Description: The students will identify and explain the metaphors in the poem.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Metaphors

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will identify and explain the metaphors in the poem.

Materials:

- “Suppose” poem, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil

Procedures:

Read the poem with the students, or have them read it on their own. Discuss with the students the main idea of the poem. Then, have the students work individually to explain the metaphors in the poem. When the students have finished working, have them share what they wrote with a partner.

