## The Title

This activity accompanies "The Delinquent," from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5045.

Activity Title: The Title

Description: The students will work with a partner to explain the title of the poem.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Literary Analysis

## **Behavioral Objective:**

• The student will write an explanation for the meaning of the title of this poem.

## Materials:

- "The Delinquent" poem, available in audio and print form at <u>http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/</u>
- Paper and pencils

## **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. Next, have the students work with a partner to write an explanation for the meaning of the title of the poem. Then, have the partners share with another set of partners to compare their explanations.



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