

Fact or Opinion

This activity accompanies “A Summer Night,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5348.

Activity Title: Fact or Opinion

Description: The students will identify facts and opinions in the poem.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Fact and Opinion

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will identify facts and opinions in the poem.

Materials:

- “A Summer Night” poem, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil
- Fact and Opinion chart (below)

Procedures:

Read the poem with the students, or have them listen to it on the Lit2Go website (website link listed above). Discuss with the students the main idea and dialect of the poem. Then, have the students work individually to complete the fact and opinion chart below. When the students have finished working, have them share what they wrote in small groups.



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Directions: Write facts and opinions from the poem under the correct headings below.

Fact

Opinion