

Rhyme and Repetition

This activity accompanies “She Gave Me a Rose,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5102.

Activity Title: Rhyme and Repetition

Description: The students will explain how the rhyme and repetition in the poem enhance its meaning.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Rhyme and Repetition

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will explain how rhyme and repetition in the poem enhance its meaning.

Materials:

- “She Gave Me a Rose” 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 with a partner to write an explanation for how the rhyme and repetition enhance the meaning of the poem. When the students are finished, have them discuss what they wrote in a class discussion.

