

Summarize

This activity accompanies “Long To’ds Night,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5223.

Activity Title: Summarize

Description: The students will work with a partner to summarize the main events in the poem.

Subject: Reading and Language/Arts

Skill: Summarize

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will summarize the main events in the poem.

Materials:

- “Long To’ds Night” 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 listen to it on the Lit2Go website (website link above). Discuss with the students the main idea and dialect of the poem. Then, have the students work with a partner to listen and read the poem a second time (if necessary) to write a summary of the main events in the poem. When the students are finished, have a class discussion about their answers.

