

Book Theme

This activity accompanies chapter 9 from *The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man* by James Weldon Johnson, record number 1759.

Activity Title: Book Theme

Description: The students will work with a partner to analyze the central themes of the book.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Literary Analysis

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will work with a partner to analyze and explain the central themes found in the book.

Materials:

- *The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man* chapter 9, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil

Procedures:

Read the chapter with the class, or have the students read it on their own. Discuss with the students the main events of the chapter. Next, have the students work with a partner to find and explain the central themes of the book. Have the students use textual support from this and previous chapters to help them explain and support the themes they find throughout the book.

