

## Holiday Poem

This activity accompanies “Christmas Carol,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5372.

**Activity Title:** Holiday Poem

**Description:** The students will write a poem or song about their favorite holiday.

**Subject:** Reading/Language Arts

**Skill:** Writing

**Behavioral Objective:**

- The student will write a poem or song about his or her favorite holiday.

**Materials:**

- “Christmas Carol” 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 individually to write a poem or song about their favorite holiday. If the students write a song, have them create a tune to go along with their song. When the students have finished writing, have them present their songs or poems to the class.

