

## The Title

This activity accompanies “An Old Memory,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5380.

**Activity Title:** The Title

**Description:** The students will work with a partner to explain the impact of the title on the meaning of the poem.

**Subject:** Reading/Language Arts

**Skill:** Reading Comprehension

**Behavioral Objective:**

- The student will explain the impact of the title on the meaning of the poem.

**Materials:**

- “An Old Memory” 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 about the impact that the title has on the meaning of the poem. When the students have finished working, have them share what they wrote in a whole class discussion.

