

Compare and Contrast

This activity accompanies “The Lawyers’ Ways,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 4995.

Activity Title: Compare and Contrast

Description: The students will compare and contrast the two lawyers in the poem, using a Venn diagram.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Compare and contrast

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will compare and contrast the two lawyers in the poem.

Materials:

- “The Lawyers’ Ways” poem, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencils

Procedures:

Read the poem with the class, or have the students read it on their own. Discuss with the students the main idea of the poem. Next, have the students work individually to complete the Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the two lawyers in the poem. When they are finished, have them pair up with another student to compare their answers.



Name _____

Date _____

“The Lawyers’ Ways” Venn diagram

First Lawyer

Second Lawyer

