

## Lesson Learned

This activity accompanies “The Dreamer,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5095.

**Activity Title:** Lesson Learned

**Description:** The students will work in small groups to explain the lesson learned in the poem.

**Subject:** Reading/Language Arts

**Skill:** Reading Comprehension

**Behavioral Objective:**

- The student will work in a small group to explain the lesson learned in the poem.

**Materials:**

- “The Dreamer” poem, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil
- Dictionary (if needed)

**Procedures:**

Read the poem with the students, or have them read it on their own. Then, divide the students into small groups. Have the students reread the poem, and write an explanation for the lesson learned by the writer, in the poem. Have dictionaries available in case any of the students need to look up unknown words or alternative meanings for familiar words.

