

Groups Analysis

This activity accompanies “Lyrics of Love and Sorrow,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5288.

Activity Title: Group Analysis

Description: The students will work in small groups to explain how part of the poem ties in with the poem in its entirety.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Literary Analysis

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will explain how part of the poem ties in with the poem in its entirety.

Materials:

- “Lyrics of Love and Sorrow” 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, divide the students into five groups, one for each part of the poem. Have each group discuss, and write an explanation, for how their portion of the poem ties into the poem in its entirety. Finally, have each group present what they discussed in a whole class discussion.

