

Repetition

This activity accompanies “To The Road,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5187.

Activity Title: Repetition

Description: The students will explain how the repetition in the poem helps to enhance its meaning.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Repetition

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will explain how the repetition in the poem helps to enhance its meaning.

Materials:

- “To The Road” 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. Then, discuss with the students the main idea and dialect of the poem. Next, have the students work in small groups to discuss how the repetition in the poem helps to enhance the meaning of the poem. When the groups are finished discussing, have a class debriefing on how the repetition in the poem helps to enhance its meaning.

