

Thou Art My...

This activity accompanies “Thou Art My Lute,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5115.

Activity Title: Thou Art My...

Description: The students will write a poem using repetition, as Dunbar does in his poem.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Writing and Repetition

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will write a poem using repetition, as Dunbar does in his poem.

Materials:

- “Thou Art My Lute” poem, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil
- Thou Art My... template (below)

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 write their own “Thou Art My...” poem using the template below. Once the students have finished writing, have them illustrate and then share their poems with a partner.



NAME _____

DATE _____

Thou Art My... Poem

Thou art my _____, by thee I _____,

_____.

NAME _____

DATE _____

Thou Art My... Poem

Thou art my _____, by thee I _____,

_____.
