

Title Predictions

This activity accompanies “The Conquerors,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5122.

Activity Title: Title Predictions

Description: The students will analyze the title of the poem to predict the main idea of the poem.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Predictions

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will analyze the title of the poem to predict the main idea of the poem.

Materials:

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

Procedures:

Read the title of the poem with the students, or have them read it on their own. Have the students think about what the poem is going to be about, based on the title. Then, have a class discussion about what they think this poem is going to be about. After the discussion, read the poem with the students, or have them read it on their own. Finally, discuss the students’ predictions and how accurate they were about the poem’s main idea.

