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The Harlem Renaissance WebQuest

The Harlem Renaissance Historical Background

Video <http://www.history.com/topics/harlem-renaissance/videos#the-harlem-renaissance-an-artistic-explosion>

If you have headphones, plug them in and watch the video on this link. No answer needed.

History <http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/5657>

1. What was the Harlem Renaissance?
2. Why did African Americans move north?
3. Who created the term “The New Negro?” What did it mean?

History <http://www.infoplease.com/spot/bhmharlem1.html>

4. During what time period was the Harlem Renaissance?
5. Summarize the section “Literary Roots” and list three authors from that period, not including Langston Hughes.

Langston Hughes

Biography <http://www.poets.org/poet.php/prmPID/83>

6. What year was Langston Hughes born? _____ What year did he die? _____
7. What were some of the changes that Langston Hughes went through in his family as a child?
8. What kinds of works (genres) did Hughes write?

Getting Published <http://www.shmoop.com/langston-hughes/young-poet.html>

9. What did Langston Hughes do that was pretty gutsy and helped him get his first work published?

Lucille Clifton

Biography <https://www.poets.org/poet.php/prmPID/79>

Biography <http://www.poetryfoundation.org/bio/lucille-clifton>

10. What year was Lucille Clifton born? _____ What year did she die? _____

11. What kind of awards has she won? List at least five.

12. What kind of topics/subjects did Lucille Clifton write about?

13. For what audience did she write more than 16 books?

Extra Credit (+15 possible)

Art +3

https://www.google.com/search?q=harlem+renaissance+art&safe=active&biw=1680&bih=956&source=lnms&tbn=isch&sa=X&sqi=2&ved=0ahUKEwjZ97uBotzKAhXFVz4KHWtVDkAQ_AUIBigB

List three characteristics that many of these images have in common?

Criticism +3 <http://www.poetryfoundation.org/bio/langston-hughes>

14. Why was Hughes early work criticized by black intellectuals? What was Hughes response?

Poetry +5 <https://www.poets.org/poetsorg/poet/langston-hughes>

17. Click on the link to his 13 poems. Read the poem "Dreams".

a. What is the poem talking about?

b. Locate one example of figurative language that you see in the poem, write it below and tell what type of figurative language it is.

People+4: <http://www.biography.com/people/groups/movement-harlem-renaissance>

List 2 individuals associated with this movement for each category.

Artist	Actor	Intellectual	Other/Student Choice