## Day Two Langston Hughes: American Poet



Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

Read these phrases and words <b>out loud</b> to your partner.			
	Langston Hughes was an important American poet		
	Most elementary schools were segregated		
	Stories sparked his interest in writing		
	He chose to study at Columbia University		
	Langston	LANG   ston	
	Hughes	HYOOZ	
	segregated	SEG   rih   gay   tid	
	fought	FAWT	
	published	PUB   lisht	
	courageous	cuh   RAY   jus	



## **Decoding practice:**

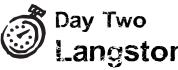
- Find the vowels in these longer words
- Write a ∨ above each vowel
- · Count the vowels
- · Write the number of syllables in the word
- · Try clapping the syllables and say the word

The first one is done for you.

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Part 2: Last read WPM	
Langston Hughes was an important American poet. You may have read his poem, "Mother to Son." Or you may have read his stories set in Harlem. He is the best-loved African American writer.	
Langston grew up in Kansas in the early 1900s. Most elementary schools were segregated.	48
But his mother insisted that he attend a mixed school. As a child, Langston loved reading. Books were his best friends. He would often rather read than play with other children.	64 79
Langston's parents separated when he was small. Until his teens, he lived with his	93
grandmother. She told wonderful stories about his people. His grandfather, Sheridan, had	105
worked to end slavery. He fought for Black people's rights. Langston enjoyed hearing	118
about family history. Stories sparked his interest in writing.	127
Langston wrote his first poem in eighth grade. His classmates called him their class poet.	142
Langston had a poem published when he just finished high school. He decided to become	157
a writer.	159
Beginning in college, Langston started to explore what it meant to be Black. He chose to	175
study at Columbia University because he wanted to live in Harlem. He even traveled to	190
West Africa to understand Black history. He was able to uncover many stories about	204
courageous people. These stories shaped his writings.	211
Langston Hughes changed many people's ideas about who could be a poet. His poems	225
spoke to readers who had not felt a connection to poetry before.	237
Part 3: Comprehension and discussion	
What is your idea of who can be a poet?	
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Share your answer with your partner. Ask your partner their ideas of who coa poet.	in be
☐ Our ideas are the same or similar	
Our ideas are different	

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