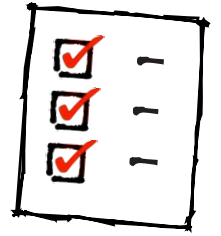


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Day Two

Langston Hughes: Jazz Poet

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

→ Read these phrases and words **out loud** to your partner.

- When many people are asked about their favorite poet
- His well-loved poems include “Dreams”
- and brought that energy to poetry
- the Ivy League college wasn’t right for him
- He became one of the innovators of jazz poetry

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hughes | HYOOZ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> energy | EN ur jee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> magazine | MAG uh zeen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis | KRY sis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> League | LEEG |
| <input type="checkbox"/> rhythm | RIH thum |



Decoding practice:

- Find the vowels in these longer words
- Write a v 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.

Langston ^v ^v 2 instantly _____ popular _____ bigotry _____

Columbia _____ University _____ innovators _____ stanza _____



Day Two

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Langston Hughes: Jazz Poet

Part 2: Last read

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When many people are asked about their favorite poet, they instantly say Langston Hughes. His well-loved poems include “Dreams,” “Mother to Son,” and “I, Too, Sing America.” What makes his writing stand out? His poems use everyday talk to speak to the world about hope and dreams. Langston also took the feeling of popular music and brought that energy to poetry. 57
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Growing up in the 1900’s, Langston first began to write for his grade school friends and classmates. At just 19, he published his first poem in the NAACP magazine, *The Crisis*. Langston’s father was impressed and agreed to pay for Langston to attend college at Columbia University. 79
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Although Langston enjoyed living in New York, the Ivy League college wasn’t right for him. As a Black student, he often faced racism. He also wanted to see more of life than a college classroom. Working on boats to pay his way, Langston traveled all over West Africa and Europe. He found jobs as a waiter and dishwasher in clubs just so he could hear the jazz music he loved. 124
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What was fresh and different about Langston’s poetry? He became one of the innovators of jazz poetry. Jazz poems broke the old rules of rhythm in poetry. Jazz poems used short stanzas and repeated lines, just like popular music. Langston listened to jazz and blues music and wrote poetry with the same sounds. His poems also spoke out about racism and bigotry. 194
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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Langston Hughes dropped out of a famous college to travel the world and listen to jazz. Do you think this was a good idea? What’s your reason?

Share your answer with your partner. What is your partner’s opinion?
