## **Entrance Ticket**

- Do you think people can achieve their dreams? How?
- What prevents a person from doing so? Give specific examples!

January 29th, 2015 <u>Essential Question:</u> Why is a Dream Deferred? Agenda: 1) ET 2) Unit Essential Questions 2) Vocab 3) Dream Deferred by Langston Hughes 5) Exit Ticket

Homework: Read Excerpts from "To be young, gifted, and black" and annotate

## **Unit 4: Raisin in the Sun**

**Essential Questions:** 

- 1. What is the American Dream, and who has access to it?
- 2. How can our dreams sustain, define, or even destroy us?
- 3. What happens to a dream deferred?

## Dream Deferred by Langston Hughes

- Read the poem.
- Identify the 6 ways a dream is deferred or delayed.

## **Narrating: A Dream Deferred**

- Choose one of the 6 ways a dream is deferred.
- Imagine a story that narrates the life of a person whose dream was "deferred" in that way
- If you have time, pair your story with an illustration



## **Connection to Raisin in the Sun**

Both Langston Hughes' "Harlem (A Dream Deferred)" and Lorraine Hansberry's "A Raisin in the Sun" illustrate the effect of racism on African-Americans economically and psychologically. Both center around dreams and the limited opportunities that result from an unequal, oppressive society. Hansberry took the title for her play from Hughes' poem.



# Choose one our unit's essential questions to develop into a full paragraph.