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.