

Play with a Purpose

Minisode 1: Harlem Renaissance & Nikki Grimes

Teacher Guide

Video Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ipBddOs406k>

Book/Material

One Last Word by Nikki Grimes; *Storm Ending* by Jean Toomer

Concepts

Nature; Self-acceptance

Vocabulary

Golden Shovel; Prolifically; imagery

OHIO STANDARDS

RL.1.4; SL.1.5

RL.4.1; W.4.9

Main Activity

After watching Amy read both poems, analyze and discuss the poems. Compare and Contrast the poems topics, use of imagery, and style/structure using the LEI Venn Diagram.

Follow Up/ Extension

1. Make your own Golden Shovel poem based off of Jean Toomer's poem *Storm Ending*.
2. Jean Toomer uses a lot of **imagery** in *Storm Ending*. Draw a picture of the scene he is describing.
3. Read other poems and their Golden Shovel responses from *One Last Word*.

Additional Resources

1. Watch Episode 2 of Play with a Purpose for Golden Shovel description, *rules*, and examples: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Miv3HRTC9Z4>
2. Visit Wikipedia's entry on Golden Shovel for additional information: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_shovel
3. Visit Nikki Grimes' website for more information about her and more examples of her work: <https://www.nikkigrimes.com/>



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Venn Diagram

Truth
by Nikki Grimes

Storm Ending
by Jean Toomer

