

# Dreams

Langston Hughes

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## EXAMPLE

Clutch firmly to dreams  
For if dreams depart  
Life is a broken-legged horse  
That cannot dart.

Clutch firmly to dreams  
For when dreams disappear  
Life is a storm  
That spreads fear.

1. A reader would like the word "dart" because it describes a horse moving quickly but it also begins with "d" and it is an unusual word.
2. Using a verb to describe someone holding onto a dream, followed by an adverb, is one idea that I took from Langston Hughes.
3. This poem shows that I have managed to tell the reader a piece of advice: without dreams we will be left with a storm, a metaphor for fearful feelings.
4. If I was to write the poem again, I would try to think of another word that begins with "d" instead of "fear" because I like how all the other words that I have used begin with "d" (dreams, depart, dart, disappear).



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