

The Harlem Renaissance

Investigate the Harlem Renaissance and the significance of your chosen topic.

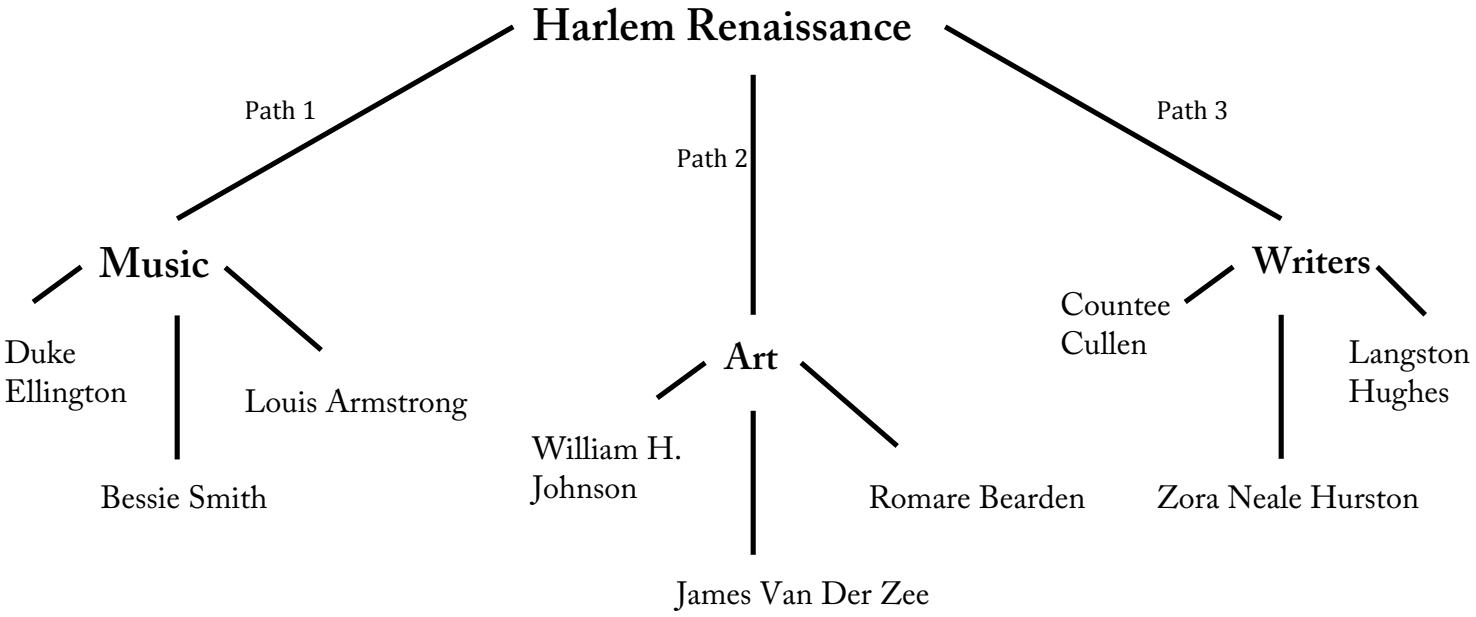
What was the Harlem Renaissance and its lasting effects on American culture?

Find out and share your knowledge through music, art, poetry, video, or your own idea.

STEP ONE: Find out more about the Harlem Renaissance by watching two videos:

- BrainPOP
- History.com

STEP TWO: Choose one of the following paths to explore further.



STEP THREE: Gather resources for your topic and answer investigation questions (see back).

STEP FOUR: Decide how you will share the knowledge you gained. Choose one project from each category.

Category: RESEARCH	**Category: BIOGRAPHY**	**Category: RECREATE**
Video Collage	Interview chosen person	Music Path: Write and sing a song
Written Essay	Dress up for a day	Art Path: Create your own
Your Choice	Your Choice	Write: Write your own poem/short story

Investigation Questions:

1. What is the Harlem Renaissance? (When did it start / Why did it happen / How long did it last / Where did it take place / Who was involved)

2. Describe your specific path's topic. (What does it consist of / Why was it popular / What was used to create it)

3. Choose ONE of the people from your chosen path and investigate their life. (When were they born / What challenges did they face / What are they know for / How did they contribute to the Harlem Renaissance)

4. **WRITE YOUR OWN QUESTION:** _____
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Instructions for Projects

RESEARCH	BIOGRAPHY	RECREATE
Video Collage: Create an informational video in iMovie or similar application. Video must include pertinent pictures to the Harlem Renaissance answering #1 - 2 of the Investigation questions. Information must be spoken and/or written in the video. It should NOT be a news broadcast. Video (information being shared) should last at least 2 minutes.	Interview chosen person: Act as interviewer and interviewee in this project. Use the information you learned in investigation question #3 to develop at least ten questions to ask. Questions should require more than one word answers and deal with their influence on the Harlem Renaissance. When were you born is not an appropriate question. Answer the questions as if you were the chosen person. The interview should be recorded (voices only is ok!). Introduction to the video is a MUST before you start the interview.	**Music Path: Write and sing a song**: Listen to at least three songs your chosen person performed or popular music of the Harlem Renaissance. Use this to inspire you to write your own song. The written portion should be at least four stanzas (chorus not included). Song must be accompanied by music.
Written Essay: Write a five-paragraph essay detailing the information you learned through your investigation.	Dress up for a day: Act and dress as your chosen person for a day. You will have to share details about your life and influence on the Harlem Renaissance. You will present to the class and for any adults/teachers in the school.	**Art Path: Create your own:** Look at at least three works of art by your chosen person. Find out how artwork was made. Use the same materials to create your own art. Your artwork should be a reflection of the information you gathered while investigating the Harlem Renaissance.
Your Choice**:** Develop a way to share the information you learned to investigation questions #1 – 2. Check with Ms. Curry before beginning.	Your Choice**:** Develop a way to share the information you learned to investigation question #3. Check with Ms. Curry before beginning.	**Write: Write your own poem/short story:** Read at least three poems by your chosen person. Find out what inspired them to write. Write your own poem inspired by the person you investigated and the Harlem Renaissance. Poem should be at least five stanzas long.