## A Raisin in the Sun

HEY! While you're reading, think about this...it'll shed light on the play.

### **Big Ideas:**

- Dreams / Visions
- Human motivation

### Themes:

- Our dreams / vision can determine our future.
- The American Dream is changing

### **Essential Questions:**

- What is / was meant by The American Dream?
- What must happen for The American Dream to come true?
- Is there still an American Dream?
- Has The American Dream changed over the years?
- What is The American Dream for 21<sup>st</sup> century citizens?

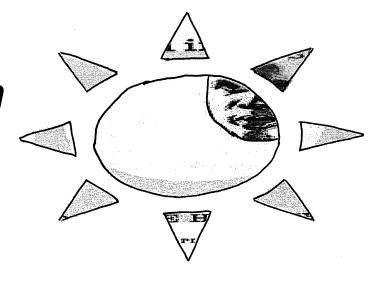
- Does The American Dream mean the same thing for African Americans as it does for white Americans?
- What are my dreams / visions for the future? How are they related to The American Dream?
- What can I do to realize my dreams / visions for the futur

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# Focus on this 'cause you'll see these ideas in June!

#### Forms of Writing:

- *⇔* drama
- *⇔* parable



- definition and example

### **Reading Strategies:**

- comprehension
- inference
- main idea

- headings / subheadings
- cross-text compare and contrast

#### **Elements of Writing:**

- □ plot / plot 
  development
- ★ characterization
- author's purpose
- ★ foreshadowing
- nersonification
- metaphor

- 🖎 simile
- > alliteration
- 🖎 symbol / symbolism
- allegory
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> tone

- ★ theme / message
- ★ thesis statement

- 🖎 play on word
- 🗷 genre
- 🖎 main idea
- supporting details
- textual features (pictures / bold / headings etc.