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# Langston Hughes (1902-1967)

(US modernist poet, Black American; b. Missouri, from a middle class family with anti-slavery tradition; mother divorced and remarried, l. Cleveland; BA Lincoln U, PA; radical politics, stayed in Russia, correspondent during Spanish Civil War, travelled, menial jobs, poverty, l. Harlem, prominent figure of the "Harlem Renaissance"; taught at universities, investigated as suspected Communist, champion of Black Arts movement)

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