

# Deep Ellum: Portrait of a Community

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## DEEP ELLUM: HARLEM IN MINIATURE

Saxon, Gerald D., and Holmes, Maxine. *The WPA Dallas Guide and History : Written and Compiled from 1936 to 1942 by the Workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration in the City of Dallas*. Denton, Tex: Dallas Public Library, Texas Center for the Book, University of North Texas Press, 1992. Print. Page 294.

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This lesson gives an in-depth look at how an 1930's WPA historian characterized the segregated community of Deep Ellum. Students are asked to analyze the reading and make connections to their own time.

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Elements:

Lesson Plan

Analysis Questions for Deep Ellum: A Portrait of a Community