The Treasure of Lemon Brown Activities

1. The story takes place in Harlem. Do some research and write down four important things you have learned about Harlem:

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2. Read the following quotes from Lemon Brown:

*“You ain’t one of them bad boys looking for my treasure, is you?”*

*“What I tell you? Didn’t I tell you every man got a treasure?”*

*“For a big-headed boy, you sure do ask the foolishest questions.”*

Hopefully you have noticed that this is not proper grammar! However, it is important for the author to write Lemon Brown’s dialogue this way. Why does the author do this? What effect does it have?

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3. What does Greg learn about the meaning of “treasure?” **Answer this in a complete sentence.**

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1. Why do *you think* Greg smiled when thinking of his father’s lectures as he was returning home from his encounter with Lemon Brown? **Answer this in a complete sentence.**

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1. **JOURNAL**:

What is the true meaning of treasure, in your opinion?

* Use evidence from the text (*In the story,* The Treasure of Lemon Brown*, treasure was….*)
* Tell what you think treasure is. Give examples.
* What makes it treasure? Why is treasure important people – different reasons.

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