## Gwendolyn Brooks



## Who was she?

- Brooks was an American Poet, Author, and teacher.
- Usually dealing with personal celebrations and struggles of the Quotidien life within her community she would describe conditions among the poor and racial inequality within the Black Community. As well as the struggles of black women.
- She won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry in 1950, making her the first

African American to receive this award.

She was a post-war poet

https://poetryarchive.org/poet/gwendolyn-brooks/ - 'About
Gwendolyn Brooks' and recordings of her poems

## Her poetry

- ♦ Annie Allen 1949
- ♦ A Sunset of the City
- ♦ Kitchenette Building
- ♦ The Mother
- ♦ A song in the front yard
- ♦ Of DeWitt Williams on his way to the Lincoln Cemetery
- ♦ We Real Cool
- ♦ The Lovers of the Poor