Poetry Portfolio Unit

Langston Hughes

*The Dream Keeper and Other Poems*

*The Dream Keeper* (page 2)

After reading the poem *The Dream Keeper* in class, answer the following questions on your own. You may use your answers when writing your reflection for your poetry assignment(s).

1. What is a *heart melody*?

2. Why did he say *a blue cloud-cloth*?

3. Does the world have fingers? Why would Hughes say that it does?

4. What would you consider things that you would put away from the *too-rough fingers of the world*? Explain.

5. Why do you think this poem was chosen as the title of the book?