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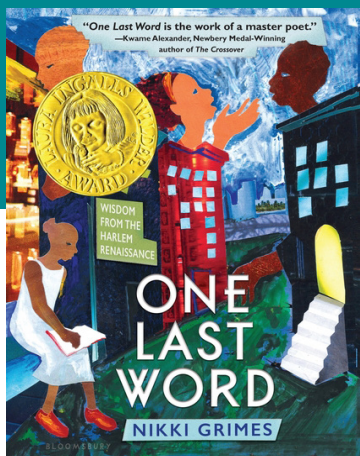
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## Book Review

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One Last Word is a collection of poems from the Harlem Renaissance accompanied by corresponding poems written using the Golden Shovel poetic technique. The poems are from both the past and present. They bring to light injustice, resilience and finding joy in living life while confronting major obstacles. One Last Word is a moving tribute to the great poets of the Harlem Renaissance.

This compilation of poetry, both modern and old, causes readers to reflect on their lives and society. It evokes questions about hard work, prejudice, and self-worth. The first-person perspective offered in many of the poems provide a small glimpse into the lives of African-Americans, both in the past and present. Issues of discrimination and inequality are combated through the use of art and poetry, bringing readers to see the need for change in the mindsets and the social constructs of our nation.

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#### Rating

Outstanding

#### Level

Intermediate, Young  
Adult

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#### Pages

128

#### Year

2017

#### Publisher

Bloomsbury

#### ISBN

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