Cycle 4 – Langages / Rencontres avec d'autres cultures/Société – Protest songs



Strange Fruit

(Composed by Abel Meeropol/singer: Billie Holliday)

Southern trees bear strange,	
Blood on the leaves and blood at the,	
Black body swinging in the Southern,	
Strange fruit hanging from the poplar	
Pastoral scene of the gallant,	
The bulging eyes and the twisted,	
Scent of magnolia sweet and,	
Then the sudden smell of burning!	
Here is fruit for the crows to,	
For the rain to gather, for the wind t,	
For the sun to rot, for the trees to,	
Here is a strange and bitter	
Focus on the song	
a) "Strange Fruit" is a <i>figure of speech</i> . Say which one and explain its meaning.	
b) Find the words related to the lexical field of:	
Plants	Body
c) Now list all the negative and positive elements	
Negative	Positive
d) What feeling does the association of negative and positive elements convey?	
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