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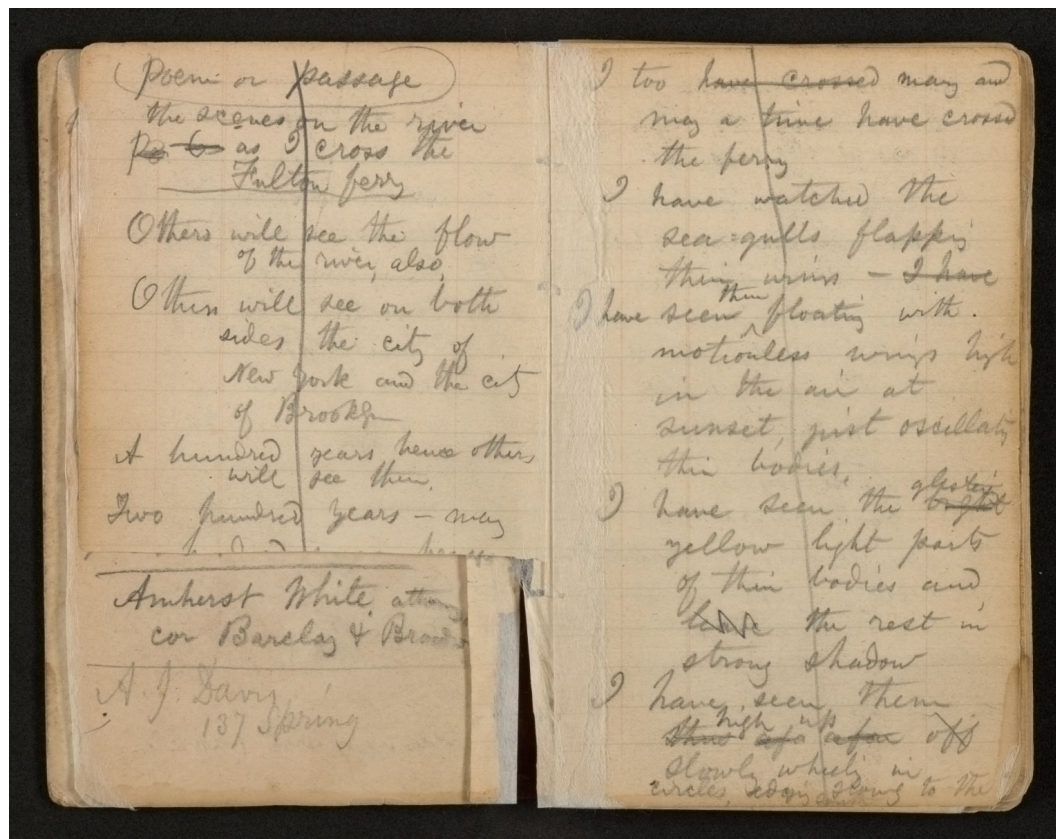
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Today's Agenda

- Introductions
- By the People
- Whitman overview
- Think-aloud demo
- Solo transcribe
- Q&A
- Wrap Up

Educators for Think Aloud



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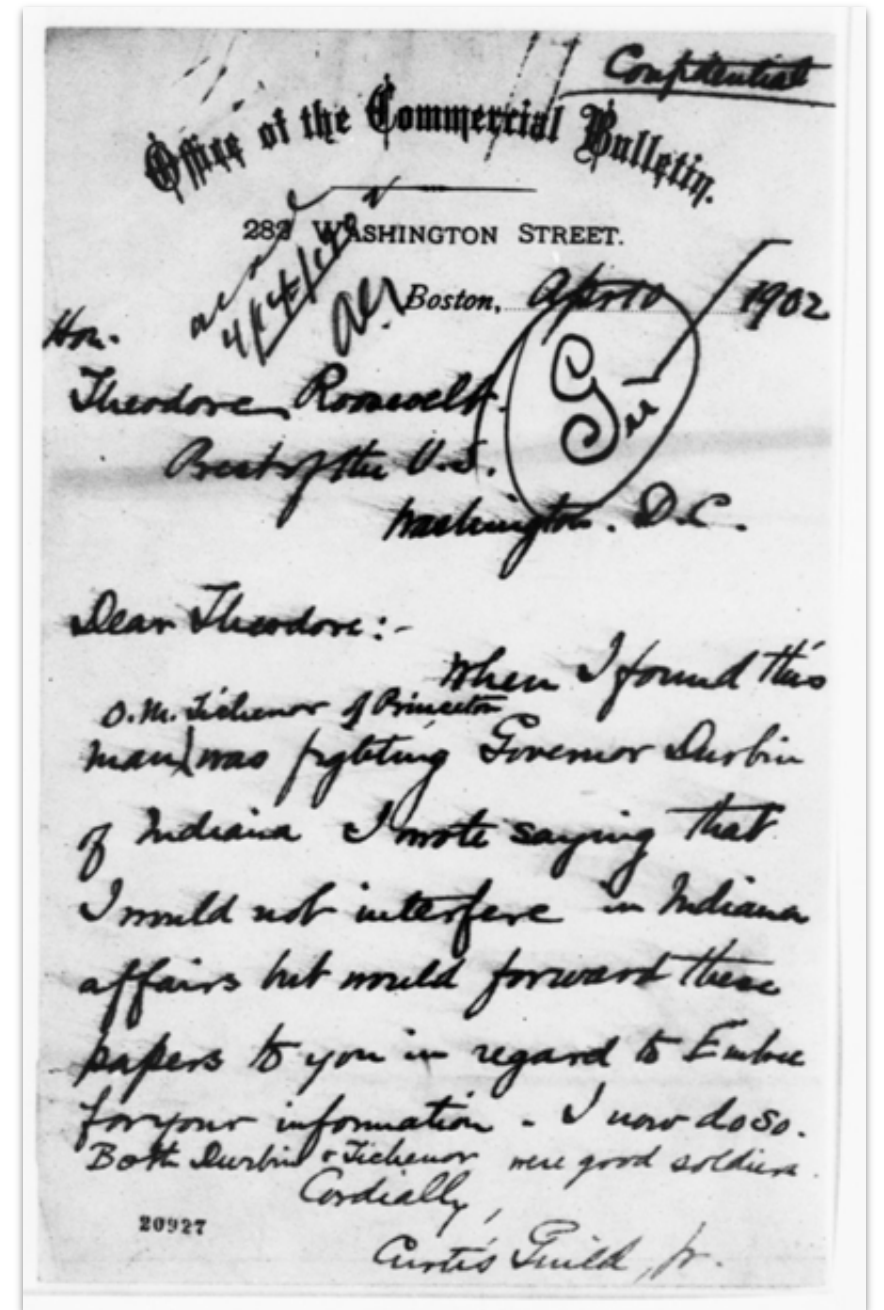


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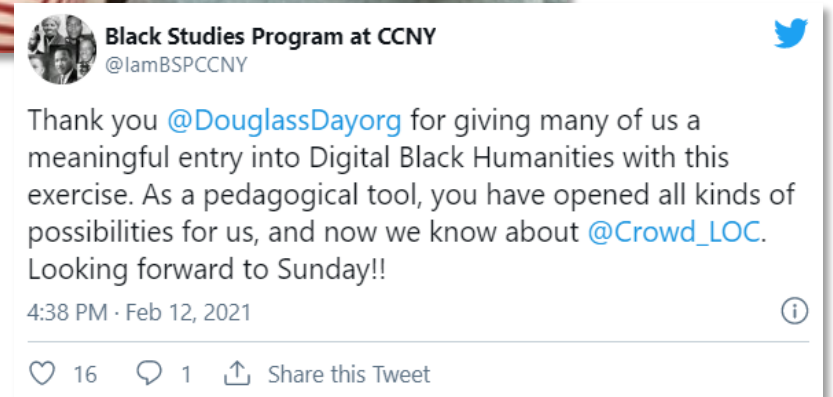
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By the People: Library of Congress crowdsourced transcription



Program goals

1. Engage virtual volunteers in meaningful opportunities to deeply explore and learn from Library of Congress collections
2. Enhance discoverability and usability of Library of Congress collections through the work of volunteers



Impact of *By the People* volunteers

Virtual volunteers transcribe digitized collections (mostly handwritten, but some typed) to make them:

- ✓ Keyword searchable on loc.gov
- ✓ More easily readable by people and accessibility technologies
- ✓ Available for use as data

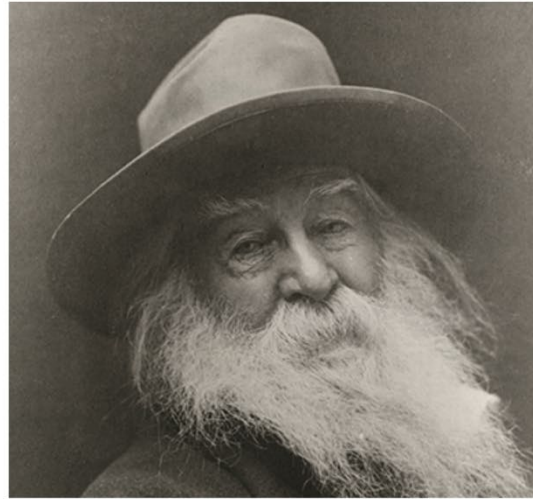


By the People, crowd.loc.gov

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24,000+ volunteers registered
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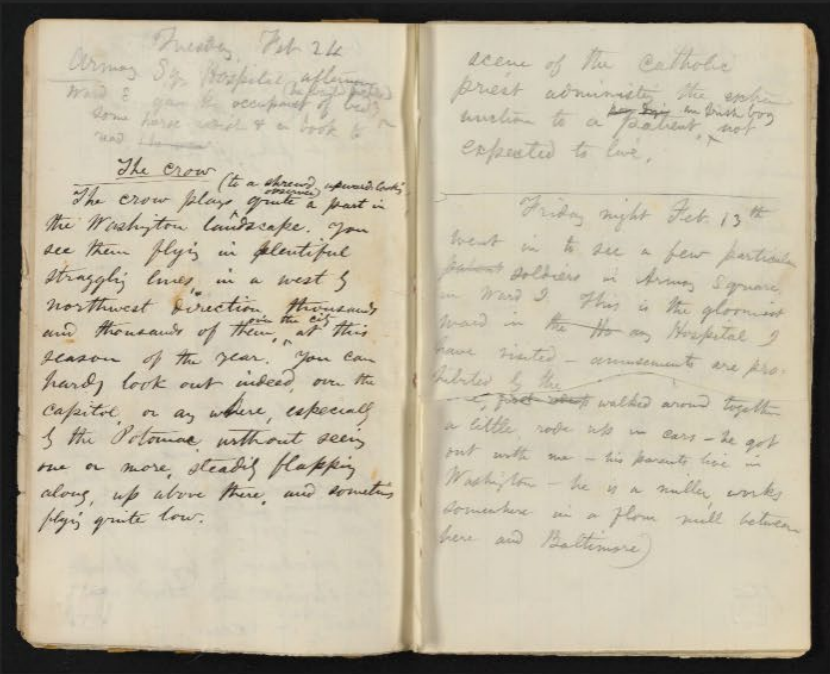
- Whitman, Spanish Legal Documents, & Teddy Roosevelt additions
- Lomax Family papers
- Frederick Law Olmsted papers
- Early Copyright Pages



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Featherlite Pancakes

sift together

1 C flour

2 T B. Powder

1/2 t salt

2 T sugar

Mix

1 egg

1 1/4 C Milk

1/3 C peanut butter

melted

1 T shorting or oil

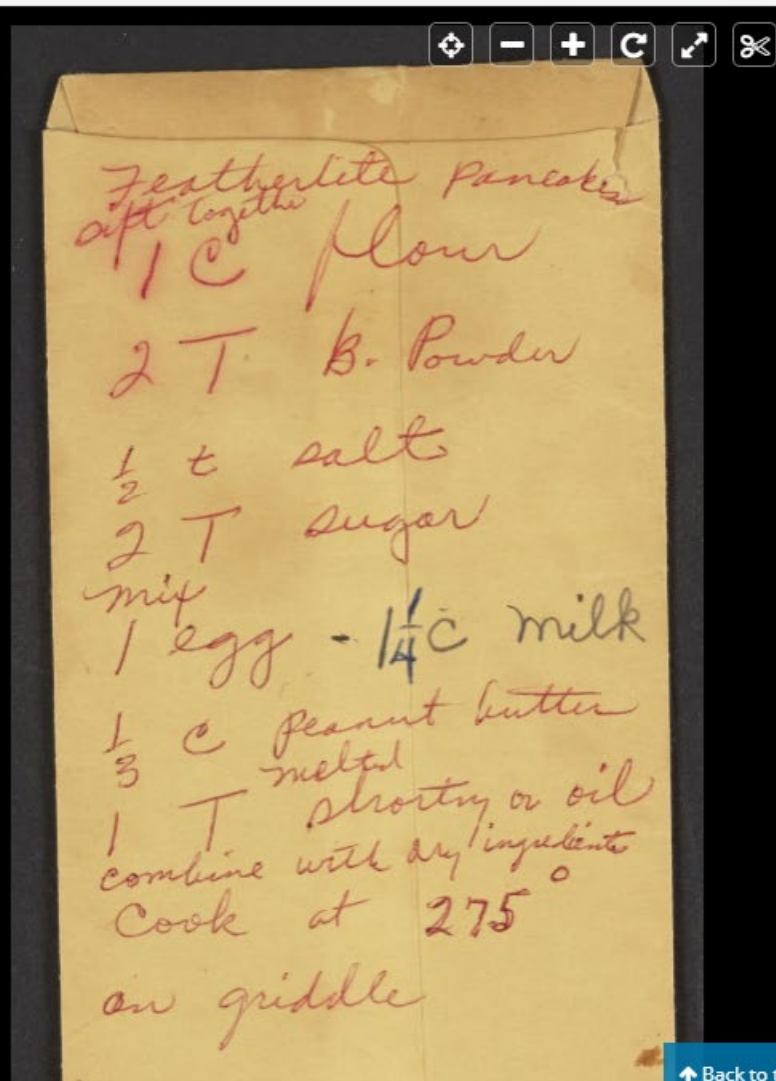
Combine with dry ingredients

Cook at 275°

on griddle

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Mary C

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of the NAACP, a

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James A. Garfield Diary: "His Confidential Friend"	1	0	1
Letters to Lincoln	2	1	3
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Walt Whitman at the Library of Congress



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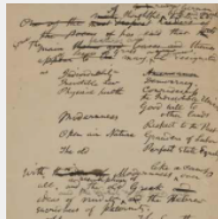
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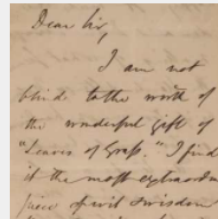
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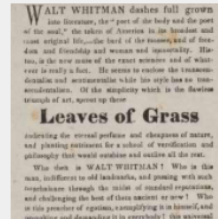
Photographic portrait of Walt Whitman, frontispiece in bound ...



Walt Whitman, "Themes in Leaves of Grass," manuscript notes.



Letter, Ralph Waldo Emerson to Walt Whitman, July 21, 1855, ...



"The New Poet," printed advertisement for Whitman's Leaves of ...



Pen used by Walt Whitman, poet, journalist, and writer.



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The papers of poet Walt Whitman (1819-1892) in the Charles E. Feinberg Collection consist of approximately 28,000 items spanning from 1763 to 1985. The bulk of the items date from the 1840s through Whitman's death in 1892, and into the twentieth

The insects.

get from Mr. Arkhurst
a list of
just American insects—

? Just simply enumerate them
with their sizes, colors, habits,
lives—shortness or length of life—
what they feed upon—

(a little poem, of a leaf, or two
leaves, only)

I dare not be
~~too~~ ^{too} ~~assured~~ ^{assured} ~~on them.~~
~~end the insects.~~
First enumerate the insects—

Then end by saying
I do not know what there are but
I believe that all these
are more than they

I ~~do not~~ ^{do not} ~~know~~ ^{know} what they are
I have advised with myself...

... I dare not consider
myself, ^{as more} ~~as~~ ^{for} my place than
they are for their places

Transcribe-aloud



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Hartford

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I will make a song that
there is no imperfection
in man or woman
And I will make a
song that there each
~~thing~~ is no one thing
in the universe is
inferior to another, and
that all are equally
miracles,

And I will make a
song that there is
nothing more beautiful
than death,

And I will make a
song that whatever
happens to an one
may become beautiful

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