Student Learning Plan

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Subject: Social Studies

Grade: Four/Five

Goal: The students will look at pictures of people and places of importance in Early American History, and all that have connections to Pennsylvania. The students will identify the pictures and give at least one Pennsylvania fact about each person or place in class.

Importance of the lesson, relevance for students

The students study Pennsylvania history in both fourth and fifth grade. They learn about historical events, especially related to development along the Old National Road, still used today and known as Route 40.

Related Primary and Secondary Sources:

Pictures: Albert Gallatin-Digital ID cph 3c 10017; Statue of Gallatin-Digital ID 5a36957
Digital ID cph3b42465 picture of James Buchanan
Fort Necessity National Battlefield

Expected Duration: One day for presentation and one day for review and completion of a worksheet.

Objectives

Academic Standards:

___8.1.3.d___ Pennsylvania ______ National (SPA)

Assessment method: The teacher and the students will locate the pictures of Albert Gallatin and James Buchanan on the LOC.GOV site. The students and the teacher will locate the information about Friendship Hill and Fort Necessity on the internet at the National Park Site. The students will write brief paragraphs about these men and these events.

Objectives are:

___x____Cognitive ______ Affective ______ Psychomotor
**Student Objectives:** *(related to assessment)*

*As a result of this lesson, the students will be able to:*

The students will go on the websites used for this lesson and locate at least two more historical figures, and two more historical sites located in Pennsylvania. The students will give brief histories of their chosen subjects, orally or in writing, or both.

**Content Notes and Questions for Students:**

Albert Gallatin served as the Secretary of the Treasury under two U.S. Presidents, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. Gallatin predicted that the country would continue its westward development. His company, New Geneva Glassworks manufactured the first glass ware west of the Allegheny Mountains.

Fort Necessity was the site of the first battle of the French and Indian war. Under the command of General George Washington, the colonists were defeated in this battle.

[http://usparks.about.com/library/miniplanner/blfriendshipnhs.htm](http://usparks.about.com/library/miniplanner/blfriendshipnhs.htm)

James Buchanan served from 1857-1861, and was the only president to come from Pennsylvania. He was a graduate of Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA. Buchanan was known as a learned lawyer and a spirited and polished debater.

[http://www.whitehouse.gov/history/presidents/jb15.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/history/presidents/jb15.html)

Name two other historical figures and two other historical sites in Pennsylvania. Tell us why these people and figures are important to the development of Pennsylvania.
Professional Development

Thoughts before/after Teaching the Lesson: The students in our fourth and fifth grade are given some instruction in Pennsylvania History. The fourth grade students constructed a map of Route 40, (a/k/a the National Road) when they learned about that series of events. The students will identify the people and places along the National Road, and will define the reason that they are being included in discussions regarding Pennsylvania’s history.

ADDITIONAL NOTES/COMMENTS