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INFORMATION SHEET

Name of Club: All About Africa Club

Age/Grade Level: 8-10/ 4-5th grade

Number of Attendees: 5-7

Goal of the Club: (learning objectives/outcomes)

Learn about human and physical geography of Africa for global awareness and cultural understanding.

Resources: (Information for club provided by)

Previous knowledge and online sources (Pinterest +Redbubble; Geography Now+ Faces of Africa (YouTube channels)).

Content Areas: (check all that apply)

- Arts (Visual, Music, Theater &Performance)
- Literacy
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering &Math)
- Social Studies
- Wellness (Physical Education, Health, Nutrition &Character Education)

Outputs or final products: (Does the club have a final product/project to showcase to community?)

A pretend passport journal for reflecting and summarizing countries and their interesting facts.

Introducing your Club/Activities:

Students will learn about the geography of Africa and the customs of its people through fun activities and presentations that matches their interests for example in nature/ landscape, games, music, etc.

General Directions:

Introduce the most known geography of Africa and integrate hands-on learning to foster memorization of countries and understanding of different cultures in Africa.

Tips/Tricks:

Be flexible. Match their energy and present the lessons in a way that mostly matches their interests.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: PowerPoint Presentation

Length of Activity: 30 minutes

Supplies: PowerPoint Presentation

Directions:

Prepare a lesson about the physical geography of Africa and include the interesting facts to make the presentation as engaging as possible.

Conclusion of the activity:

Students were introduced to Africa and got to know each other through interactions.

Parts of activity that worked:

Activity fulfilled the lesson objectives

Parts of activity that did not work:

Some students wanted to do something else besides remaining seated.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: Passport to Africa

Length of Activity: 30 minutes

Supplies: Paper passports, PowerPoint Presentation, map of Africa, pencils and highlighters, and Africa map stickers from Redbubble

Directions:

Project the map of Africa and the passport template that matches what you want them to learn and have them try drawing all in their passports.

Conclusion of the activity:

Students were able to customize their journal in a way that interest them.

Parts of activity that worked:

They all enjoyed the use of stickers and were excited to have a small journal that looks like a passport.

Parts of activity that did not work:

One student drew people instead of what were projected

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: “NamingNam” game- Landscape in North Africa

Length of Activity: 10 minutes

Supplies: Map of Africa and photos of landscapes (Nile river, Egyptian pyramids, Atlas mountain, Sahara Desert) covered in the recent lesson.

Directions:

Have the students give the name of the landscapes on the pictures and show on the map where the landscape is located.

Conclusion of the activity:

Students were able to remember and memorize some of the landscapes in North Africa and the countries they are found in.

Parts of activity that worked:

Students were excited and competed to prove they still remembered.

Parts of activity that did not work:

Few students were discouraged by having to write the names with proper spelling.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: “Name the Countries” game

Length of Activity: 20 minutes

Supplies: A small prize (a globe squeeze ball)

Directions:

Without letting students use the map, ask each to name at least five countries in Africa and base on the answers given to evaluate students by continuing to ask related questions.

Conclusion of the activity:

The activity helped to evaluate how well student are learning.

Parts of activity that worked:

Students stayed focused and tried their best to get many correct answers to gain more globes

Parts of activity that did not work:

One student used the globe to be disruptive.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: Language Learning Activity

Length of Activity: 20 minutes

Supplies: PowerPoint Presentation with the chosen phrases

Directions:

After introducing some of the French and Swahili speaking countries, teach students how to say some of important phrases in French and Swahili.

Conclusion of the activity:

Students were exposed to new languages.

Parts of activity that worked:

Students found it fun.

Parts of activity that did not work:

It took longer than expected (prepare for at least extra five minutes).

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: “Who Am I” riddles

Length of Activity: 30 minutes

Supplies: Examples of African riddles

Directions:

Introduce students to riddles, one form of art in Africa. Look for the examples of riddles that can interest children and also include some “who am I” questions related to the concepts covered in the club; for example, I am a country within another country, who am I? (answer: Lesotho or Swaziland in South Africa).

Conclusion of the activity:

Activity exposed students to African literature and a form of art.

Parts of activity that worked:

Students were intrigued to know the answer to each riddle.

Parts of activity that did not work:

The activity was more challenging compared with the rest.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: African Tribes Activity

Length of Activity: 10 minutes

Supplies: Small pictures showing some African tribes and the descriptions, a blank African map and a glue or tape.

Directions:

Read the descriptions of tribes to the students, having them take notes of the countries where tribes come from. Have students locate on the blank map where the tribe could be and then attach the tribe picture there.

Conclusion of the activity:

Students learned about tribes known for contributing to diverse cultures and languages in Africa.

Parts of activity that worked:

The activity went smoothly as planned

Parts of activity that did not work:

In the beginning, it was challenging to the students to tell where a country should be on the blank map.

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name: Passport to Africa

Length of Activity: 30 minutes

Supplies: Flags of Africa from Amazon (comes with the country's name and its flag), scissor and glue or tape

Directions:

Let students choose a country to be taped in the passport under a condition to write at least two facts about the country.

Conclusion of the activity:

The activity helped the students to think out of the box, interpret the map and remember what have been covered in the club.

Parts of activity that worked:

Students were excited and did better than expected

Parts of activity that did not work: Activity went well

LESSON PLAN WORKSHEET

Lesson Activity Name:

African map puzzle

Length of Activity:

40 minutes

Supplies:

Geopuzzle Africa from Amazon and the Africa map

Directions:

Students solve the puzzle by connecting pieces(countries) together to form a complete map. Encourage them to use Africa map as the reference casually.

Conclusion of the activity:

Activity helped to conclude the club through reflection and summarization.

Parts of activity that worked:

It was engaging, fun activity.

Parts of activity that did not work:

Overall, activity went well.
