

Learning Activity Template

Title: Past & Present Family Life

Curriculum: Social Studies

Grade-Level Span: Grade 3-4

PURPOSE:

The student will demonstrate an understanding of how families live today and in earlier times, recognizing that some aspects change over time while others stay the same.

DESCRIPTION:

The students will create a **Venn Diagram** on the computer comparing family life in the past (Pilgrims) to their own today. Once completed, students will add it to an *iPhoto* presentation.

ACTIVITIES	CURRICULUM STANDARDS	NETS PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
Venn Diagram	US History IA	3,4

TOOLS AND RESOURCES:

www.enchantedlearning.com

www.webquest.sdsu.edu

www.microsoft.com/office/

www.glc.k12.ga.us/passwd/trc/ttools/attach/stu/venndiag.dot

www.rubistar.4teachers.org

www.its.guilford.k12.nc.us/act/grade3/gr3_files/colonial/VennDiagramWord.doc

www.edtech.kennesaw.edu/intech/templatesresources.htm

<http://school.discovery.com/schrockguide/assess.html>

Apple Work 6.0 software

ASSESSMENT:

Venn Diagram Rubric (*see Appendix A*)

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COMMENTS:

We plan to teach this lesson once our students have a basic understanding of Pilgrim life. As a culminating activity, students will create an *iPhoto* presentation of projects developed during this unit of study.

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Appendix A

Venn Diagram Rubric

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Based on Rubric From Kathy Schrock's Webpage:
<http://school.discovery.com/schrockguide/assess.html>

CATEGORY	Proficient	Apprentice	Novice
Content	Reflects essential information; is logically arranged; no misspellings or grammatical errors	Reflects most of the essential information; is generally logically arranged; fewer than three misspellings or grammatical errors.	Contains extraneous information; is not logically arranged; contains numerous spelling and grammatical errors.
Text	Easy to read/ appropriately sized; no more than three different fonts	Most text is easy to read; uses no more than three different fonts	Font too small to read easily; more than four different fonts used
Design	Fits on one page without scrolling; Font and color used effectively for emphasis.	Fits on one page without scrolling; uses font and color effectively most of time.	Cluttered design; requires a lot of scrolling to view entire diagram; choice of font or colors lacks visual appeal and impedes comprehension.
