

Lesson Name: Declaration of Independence World Lib

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Civic Literacy Curriculum Section/ Question(s):

Section 1.3 Questions 10 and 11

Q10: Which of the following is an important idea from the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution?

Q11: The words "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness" are in what founding document?

Lesson Summary: (1-3 sentences)

Students will learn about the Declaration of Independence through created stories and Word Libs.

Primary Sources:

Grade Level(s): K-2

Learning Objectives:

- Students will be able to develop a understanding of the purpose of the Declaration of independence.
- Students will be able to understand important contents of the Declaration of Independence.

Lesson Plan:

<u>Part One:</u> Teacher will write the words Declaration of Independence on the board. Teachers can use the transcript linked below to apply prior knowledge, summarize and learn about the Declaration of Independence.

https://geoalliance.asu.edu/sites/default/files/LessonFiles/Warren/George/WarrenGeorg eS.pdf

<u>Part Two:</u> Tell students that today they will use what they know to write a story about the declaration of independence. Students can also be introduced to the activity of Word Libs. The teacher can create her own story with her class on chart paper. The teacher can also create a Word Lib with her class.

<u>Part Three:</u> Students can use the following website to compile their stories. Can then be printed and read aloud to the class. https://www.thewordfinder.com/wordlibs/story/create/

<u>Part Four:</u> The teacher can read the following book with students: **Declaration of Independence: Displayed side by side in plain English**

Part Five: See below for Word Lib Template



My Declaration of Independence Word Lib

Dear year I was <u>verb</u> in 1776. Many <u>adjective</u> presidents were quiet the dears to write it. Thank you for the dear <u>number</u> signatures.

Assessment: Word Lib Product

Extension: (this can include any extensions for special education, gifted education, or ESL/ELL) <u>Special Education:</u> Students can work with teacher assistance and prefilled Word Libs. <u>Gifted Education:</u>