

Crew: Williams Grade 7 Semester/Year: Fall 2014

Title: Cartographers and Commanders

Guiding Questions: How have maps and navigational tools changed over time? Why did the age of exploration happen? How do explorers impact society?

Learning Targets:

1. I can apply my understanding of navigational tools.

- 2. I can describe the historical context that led to the Age of Exploration.
- 3. I can evaluate the impact of explorers on the history of the world.
- 4. I can examine the explores' influence on the Mesoamerican peoples.

Kick Off: Gallery walk of maps

Culminating Product/Event: Board

Game about a European Explorer

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Case Study #1 (LT #1) <u>Cartographers</u>	Case Study #2 (LT #2) Before the Journey	Case Study #3 (LT #3) Commanders	Case Study #4 (LT #4) Commanders
Overview: Explore the different tools/methods of navigation and map making.	Overview: Understand the lead-up to the Age of Exploration, (Medieval, Renaissance, Age of Exploration and Enlightenment)	Overview: With a partner choose an explorer in the age of exploration and build a board game about that explorer.	Casualties Overview: Learn the history of the Mesoamerican peoples (Mayan, Incan, and Aztec)culture and the effect of the European explores on them.
Project: Map of Sanford Lake	Project: Investigate modern Explorers	Project: Explorer Board Game	Project: Recreate an aspect of life in a Mesoamerican society.
Literature Used: Brunton Navigation Curriculum Longitude By Dava Sobel	Literature Used: TCI - History Alive Longitude By Dava Sobel	Literature Used: TCI - History Alive and resources from the Public library	Literature Used: History Alive and resources from the Public library
Writing Assignments: Expository about the students perfect world	Writing Assignments: Historical fiction narrative about medieval times	Writing Assignments: Instructions for the Game	Writing Assignments: Argumentative, Age of Exploration's impact on history
Other Assessments: Compass course Flight Simulation Game	Other Assessments: Acting out aspects of life in European history. Study an influential person from the Renaissance.	Other Assessments: Making game pieces Researching the explorer and their impact on the world.	Other Assessments: Social Structures of societies
Fieldwork: <i>Grouse Ridge Mapping</i>	Fieldwork: San Fransisco Bay Sailing, Exploring UC Davis		