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**INTRODUCTION**

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The traveling exhibits—exploring prehistory, early Native American and European contact, migration and settlement, mining, logging, agriculture, family cultures, statehood, and Idaho history in literature and art—correlate with the topics of these lesson plans in this publication.

In order to examine more fully the critical issues of Idaho history, IHC organized a two-week teacher institute in June of 1993, involving forty elementary and secondary history teachers from throughout Idaho. Mornings were devoted to lectures by Idaho history scholars, and afternoons were devoted to curriculum development by teachers. The following lesson plans are a product of the curriculum development sessions at the institute. The lesson/activities are focused at intermediate (elementary) and secondary (junior high/middle school and high school) levels. Names of the teachers who developed each lesson are listed on the lesson plans. Direction of curriculum development during the teacher institute and teacher’s guide preparation was provided by Ms. Patty Gettle and Mr. Steve Tyree. IHC acknowledges the editorial assistance for publication of this curriculum guide provided by Ms. Gettle, Mr. Tyree, and Ms. Sherry Britton.

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CULTURAL CONFLICTS: PRESERVATION vs. PROGRESS
by Marsha Roush, Jaci Guilford, Carolyn Miller, Barbara Nielson

This activity is designed to enable students to “connect” with the past to further develop communication skills and cultural awareness.

In order that students may be empowered to better understand cultural and social issues, this lesson places them in active learning roles by role playing the conflict inherent between matters concerning “Preservation vs. Progress.”

The positive outcomes of making Idaho history “real” to students are: to have students who are excited about learning; to appreciate their heritage; to be informed regarding issues that determine Idaho’s future.

STUDENT GOALS:
1. The students will be able to identify pictographs as a form of communication.
2. Students will create their own story using pictograph symbols.
3. Students will experience, through role playing, the conflict inherent between preservation vs. progress.
4. Students will gain a better understanding of the preservation ethic.

MATERIALS:
1. Pictograph, story for modeling, (handout, overhead transparency, or chart).*
2. Picture of real pictograph to show students.*
3. Brown paper, markers, Q-Tips, bleach or cooking oil, or rocks (depending on what art activity you choose).
4. Teacher prepared task cards.

(*Denotes materials included in this lesson design)

TEACHING FORMAT:

ACTIVITY ONE:
Teacher will have sample pictograph symbols written on the board or a chart and will tell a story to the class: (see sample story on page 6).

VOCABULARY:
PICTOGRAPHS: painted pictures or markings
PETROGLYPHS: carved pictures or markings

A. DISCUSS that this was a common way to communicate in the past. It is our only link to some of our cultures, and it was a form of communication.
B. SHOW an overhead of Indian rock markings to the class. Discuss. Find out how many of the students have ever been exposed to pictographs.
C. DISPLAY abstract drawing to the class and discuss the meanings of the symbols.* (See handout provided.)
D. BRAINSTORM as a class, various symbols for a class language. Symbols will be drawn and labeled on a large chart/butcher paper to display on the board.
ACTIVITY TWO:
Each student will write a personal narrative using the class symbols and then recreate their pictograph narrative on brown construction paper by using a Q-Tip dipped in a weak bleach solution (1 to 5). Other art options:

1) Markers used on a crumpled, brown paper, and then rub the finished product with cooking oil.
2) Use marking pens on rocks that the students gather.

Students will then share their pictographs and display. Teacher emphasis is on pride and instilling ownership in each individual’s work.

ACTIVITY THREE:
Teacher will role play “Barry Grede”, a prominent land developer who is going to develop an exclusive community on an anthropologically rich site. Teacher will enter the room and randomly remove several of the pictographs that are on display, while telling the students that these will be the ones to be destroyed by the development.

Elicit an emotional response and ask “What is fair?”

ACTIVITY FOUR:
Cooperative Activity:
Break into cooperative groups. Students will have assigned roles while discussing the following issues:

**TASK CARDS**

1. Land developer: Justify your right to develop the land.
2. Voices from the past: Talk about your feelings in having the land destroyed.
3. Preservationist: Explain why you feel the land should be preserved.
4. Neutral party: Based on everything you’ve heard, what conclusions would you come to? What should happen to the pictographs?

**ACTIVITY GUIDELINES:**
Students sit in groups of four. Group leader randomly distributes task cards. Discuss from perspective of assigned role. Exchange task cards. Repeat process.

**Closure:**
Teacher-directed questions for whole group discussion.

1. Is it acceptable for people to use the land? If so, when does it become a problem?
2. Is it fair that contemporary cultures have the right to destroy cultural evidence of the past?
3. When cultural conflict arises, who decides what happens? The people in the largest group or those who were there first?
4. What is your responsibility to help preserve the past?

**SAMPLE PICTOGRAPH STORY**

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Picturing Indian Cultures
Helen G. Wilson, 1978, p. 51

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KEY TO PICTOGRAPH SHOWS
1. The rising sun, shown by the rays shooting from it.
2. The sun going down behind the mountains, meaning evening.
3. Coyote, the spiritual ancestor of the Shoshonis.
4. Two different forms of the dragonfly. The dragonfly was the "totem" or guardian spirit of the Bannock tribe. The Bannocks thought of themselves as brave and strong like the dragonfly.
5. A dragonfly shown with warriors shows them to be Bannock warriors.
6. Warriors. Two marks mean two warriors.
7. War bonnet with a Blackfoot warrior above it.
8. Arrow. This arrow is a challenge to some enemies, shown here by two dots.
9. Indian man. The two legs show him to be a man.
10. Indian woman. The one leg shows her to be a woman. Wearing a skirt, she appears as having only one leg.
11. Another Indian man.
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12. The lower part is the sun; the upper part is the mountains. Together they mean dawn or early morning. The sun is upside down, meaning "warning" or "take notice."
13. Horse tracks showing the direction of travel. (Forward toward the bottom of the page.)
14. Four horses, shown by a horse track with four tic marks.
15. Sign for stealing.
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By Penny Andrew, Gail Bray, Jeanette Jackson, Susan Petty

Men and women have always had the desire to communicate with others and to express their thoughts whether it was in the form of Stone Age cave drawings or a 20th century computer disk. People native to Idaho expressed their desire to communicate in the form of petroglyphs, symbols and drawings etched into the surface of rocks, and pictographs, symbols or drawings actually painted onto the rock. Examples of these two forms of expression are common in Idaho. The trouble lies in the interpretation of these writings. Are these "writings" the artistic expression of a particular person? Are they the product of an idle, wayward individual? Or are they the record or story of a people's culture?

In this lesson students are introduced to the study of early native Idaho culture through the use of petroglyphs and pictographs. They are presented with the challenge of interpreting examples of each and then are given the opportunity to experience this form of writing by creating their own.

LEARNING STATEMENTS:

The students will:
1. Understand the difference between a petroglyph and a pictograph.
2. Learn about early native culture through the interpretation of examples of each form of expression.
3. Create their own petroglyph or pictograph and write an accompanying explanation or story.
4. Analyze and interpret the "rock art" of other students.

MATERIALS:

1. Idaho Reference Series #250, "Petroglyphs and Pictographs"
3. Examples of petroglyphs and pictographs.
4. "An Indian Invitation to a Party"*
5. Art supplies:
   - dry pigment paints (mix with water or cooking oil)
   - tanned hides
   - homemade clay or play dough
   - rocks for chiseling on, chiseling with, and painting on
   - variety of painting tools, fingers, horsehair brushes, sagebrush brushes, charcoal, sticks etc...
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5. Each student will make two pictographs or petroglyphs or one of each using listed materials. One of these will depict Idaho’s ancient times and the other will depict present times. They may make them in any order.

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Enrichment Activities:

1. Field Trip (Refer to map in Indian Rock Writing in Idaho, by Richard P. Erwin, Idaho State Historical Society, 1930.

2. Find examples of “modern petroglyphs and pictographs” in your community, e.g. handprints in concrete, painted water boxes or fire hydrants, cemetery headstones, murals, white-washed school letters on hillside etc.

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4. Initiate a class discussion on the importance of preservation of these types of historical artifacts and make it a class project to help preserve a historical artifact in your area.

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The petroglyphs pictured on the rock above announce a hunting and fishing party to be held in the Snake River basin, and a council in connection with it, for the purpose of settling disputes regarding the territorial rights of the tribes as to hunting and fishing. It refers to the watershed of the Teton country and says that all people living on both sides of the big divide are invited to the party.

John Rees Collection MS21 Idaho Historical Society Library and Archives (Vertical File: "Indians in North America - Petroglyphs & Pictographs").

There's No Place Like Home: Native Americans

by Janet Allen, Tim Archibald, Peggy Hurd, Bonnie Krafchuk

Native Americans constructed their shelters from materials readily available in the environment. As tribes migrated during warm months to hunt and forage for food, their dwellings had to be small and light enough to be easily moved. Dog days refer to the time before dogs when dwellings were pulled on travois by dogs. After horses were introduced, shelters could be somewhat larger and heavier. The following lessons address how environment, season, and means of transportation influenced Native American shelter design. In two sessions, students working in cooperative groups will build a model of an Indian shelter. They will share their work and findings during the third session.

Learning Statements:

1. Work in cooperative groups to design and build a model of a Native American shelter using materials found in nature.
2. Understand that dwelling design was dictated by availability of materials, season, and means of transportation.
3. Orally share learned knowledge about a specific shelter.
4. Gain understanding of the various Native American shelters used throughout Idaho.

Materials:

1. One dwelling information card for each group
2. Paper and pencil for each student
3. Building material supplied by the students

(Denotes materials included in this lesson design)

Lesson Procedure:

Day 1

1. Discuss the concept that environment played a major role in the materials used to make a dwelling.
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THERE’S NO PLACE LIKE HOME: NATIVE AMERICANS

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Native Americans constructed their shelters from materials readily available in the environment. As tribes migrated during warm months to hunt and forage for food, their dwellings had to be small and light enough to be easily moved. Dog days refers to the time before horses when dwellings were pulled on travois by dogs. After horses were introduced shelters could be somewhat larger and heavier. The following lessons address how environment, season, and means of transportation influenced Native American shelter design. In two sessions, students working in cooperative groups will build a model of an Indian shelter. They will share their work and findings during the third session.

LEARNING STATEMENTS:

THE STUDENT WILL:

1. Work in cooperative groups to design and build a model of a Native American shelter using materials found in nature.
2. Understand that dwelling design was dictated by availability of materials, season, and means of transportation.
3. Orally share learned knowledge about a specific shelter.
4. Gain understanding of the various Native American shelters used throughout Idaho.

MATERIALS:

1. One dwelling information card for each group*
2. Paper and pencil for each student
3. Building material supplied by the students
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**Day 3**
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2. Summarize model building with a discussion comparing designs and materials from different areas of the state.

**EXTENSION:**
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2. If possible, put up a teepee on the school grounds or inside the classroom. Then explain some teepee etiquette as described below and taken from Reginald and Gladys Laubin’s *The Indian Teepee*. Discuss appropriate teepee behavior and ask students to role play a family coming home to dinner.

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When the teepee door was open, friends could enter. If the door was closed, they had to shake the door covering or call out and wait to be invited inside. Should no company be desired, two sticks were crossed over the door and if the owners were gone, the smoke flaps were lapped over each other and the door tied securely closed. Men tended to sit on the north side of the teepee and women on the south, the owner sat against the rear south backrest. Guests sat to the owner’s left or heart side. Entering, a man moved to the right to his seat and a woman to the left. One always walked behind those previously seated. If one had to pass between a person and the fire, pardon was requested.

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**Cave Dwelling**
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**CURIOSITY AND CULTURE:**

Discovering Idaho's Indian Tribes and Defining Culture

By Marjie Atkins, Carol Sue Hauntz, Lisa Kutzman, Dan Prinzing

Curiosity and Culture provides the opportunity for student investigation and discovery as a method for defining culture. If culture is the sum total of a way of life, then the contributing parts must be identified and examined. Using the Idaho Indian tribes to illustrate the parts, the students will identify the existence of pre-European cultures, the earliest of Idaho's peoples, and the ethnocentrism relative to the death of subjugated cultures.

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1. Overview of Idaho Indian Tribes.
2. Teacher-directed model fact sheet on the Nez Perce tribe.
3. Handout #1: note taking on the Nez Perce tribe.
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1. Define culture. (Sum total of the ways of living and institutions of a society.)
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HANDBOOK #2

MAP: IDAHO'S NATIVE TRIBES

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Clothing: By the 18th century, garments were being fashioned from the dressed hides and furs of many animals, particularly mountain sheep, deer, and elk, but also antelope, mountain goat, bison, wolf, bear, coyote, and smaller creatures. When game was scarce, shredded bark and grasses were used. What was worn depended on the season, the occasion, and the availability of materials. Clothing included breechcloths, double aprons, leggings, poncho shirts, belts for men and belted dresses for women. Women also wore foe-shaped hats of twined grasses and hemp cordage, and both sexes wore fur strips in their braided hair. Young children wore little or no clothing in warm weather, and babies were carried in wooden cradleboards to which were usually attached charms and a small bag containing the infant's umbilical cord, the destruction of which, it was believed, would bring bad luck.

Daily dress was mostly unornamented, but for special occasions people donned clothes decorated with polished elk's teeth, beads and discs of stone, bone, or shell (the last was traded inland by coastal Indians), dyed or natural color quillwork, feathers, beaver teeth, paint, or other materials. In addition, sashes, bracelets, necklaces, and other decorative accessories were made from ermine and otter skins, bear, eagle, and badger claws, pieces of fur, animal teeth, shells, bones, or other objects.

As is made clear in a study of Nez Perce dress by anthropologist Stephen Shawley, the Nez Perce appreciated beauty and cleanliness and took great care with every detail of dress. Ornamentation usually was meant to please both the wearer and observer and be an expression of one's identity, special status, or rank. 'Medicine' objects provided protection to the wearer or symbolized a personal story or the spiritual source of one's power. Headmen, shamans, and warriors often added extra details to denote their status.

Modes of Transportation: horse (after 1730), travois

Legend: The Nez Perce Indians, as well as other tribes, used myths and legends to pass the time during the long winter months' confinement. Their legends were meant to express, enhance, and enforce morals and social norms, within the tribe.

Coyote is the main character in many Native American stories. Legend tells of the creation of the Nez Perce people:

A huge monster lived in the Kamiah area of the Clearwater Valley. This monster ate up all the animals, angering Coyote. He decided to kill the monster and cut up his body into small pieces. These pieces came to represent the many different tribes. Fox reminded Coyote that he had forgotten the land he was standing on was without Indian people. A few drops of the monster's blood remained on Coyote's fingers, from which he made the last and noblest tribe: the Nez Perce. The monster's heart is still visible today near Kamiah, a huge earth mound.

Traditional Celebrations: Traditions are central to daily lives and during pow-wows throughout the year. The E-Peh-Tee Championship War Dances take place during March or April in Lapwai. The Mat' Alyn Root Feast and Pow-Wow occurs in May at Kamiah. The Chief Joseph and Warriors Memorial Pow-Wow takes place in June at Lapwai. The Lookingglass Celebration occurs in August at Kamiah. The Four Nations Pow-Wow in October ends the year at Lapwai. Individual artisans still do beadwork and traditional cornhusk weaving. The Nez Perce have not lost sight of their proud past.

Leadership: Unlike tribes portrayed in Hollywood movies, most Indian tribes did not have one main chief. The actual band leaders were men of wealth and influence in their community. These leaders were chosen to deal with hunting, warfare, and the white man. The leaders were chosen by the tribal council, which was made up of men only.
Each village had a council with a headman. Several villages in an area could form a band and several bands could form a confederacy or composite band. Each level of organization had a council and a headman. The headman was usually a hereditary position but could be changed by the council. The council and headman made agreements on village or group activities, but individuals in the group were free to disagree and go their own way.

Some well known Nez Perce leaders were Old Chief Joseph, his famous son Chief Joseph (who led his people over the Bitterroot Mountains rather than to the white man’s reservation), Allikot (Joseph’s brother), White Bird, Toolhoohoolzote, and the warrior Looking Glass.

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Location: North-central Idaho. They were nomadic hunters and gatherers who often took shelter beneath rock overhangs, such as Weis rock shelter, near Cottonwood, Idaho.

Treaties: Reservations were originally lands given up by Indians in large portions through treaties “reserv- ing” the land for their (Indian) own use. Typically the Indians were left with a small portion of land where they were expected to live. Sometimes they were not allowed to leave the land even to hunt. This “forced” the Indians either to become “American” or fight back.

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In 1887, the Dawes General Allotment Act or ‘Severalty Act’ was passed by the U.S. Congress. Under the act, each Nez Perce was given a small parcel of land. In 1893 the Nez Perce were pressured into signing an agreement whereby all unallotted land (with the exception of 34,000 reserved acres) was declared ‘surplus’ and sold to the government for homesteading. On November 18, 1895 the unallotted lands were opened to settlement. The ‘Severalty Act’ reduced the Nez Perce land to about 86,500 acres, less than twelve percent of the 1863 Treaty lands.
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MIGRATION & SETTLEMENT

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For many, a discussion of migration and settlement of the Idaho Territory consists of an examination of the influences of the Oregon Trail. In reality the Oregon Trail was simply a means of traveling through the territory en route to other locations. The following activity allows students an opportunity to explore the events leading to the settlement of their community as well as the diversity of their backgrounds.

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1. Use research skills, (i.e., interviews, outlining, paraphrasing) to obtain information.
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3. Use data collected to produce a written report.
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VOCABULARY LIST:

| occupations | natural resources | climate   |
| topography  | incorporation     | development|
| settlement  | quality of life    |           |

LESSON PROCEDURE:

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2. Make bulletin board chart for recording information (see attached sheet A).
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   C. Who were the first people to settle in your town?
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5. Each group member may be assigned a group task such as secretary, map maker illustrator, timeline maker, bibliographer, or editor. Students assigned to the same task from different groups may sometimes meet together to share information they have found.
6. Secretaries will record their assigned information on the bulletin board. (This is an ongoing activity.)
7. Each group will produce a report and another project (video, book, etc.) using the data the group has accumulated.
8. Each group will prepare an oral presentation about its project. (It is not necessary to have students share the written reports because they should be very similar.)
9. Offer to share your class reports and projects with your local historical society or museum.

RESOURCES:

1. Local historical society and historical museum.
2. Public Library
3. Cemetery
4. County records office
5. Chamber of Commerce
6. Community and family members
7. Idaho map
8. Videos:
   "Visions of Idaho #9," "The World Comes to Idaho"
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5. Each group member may be assigned a group task such as secretary, map maker illustrator, timeline maker, bibliographer, or editor. Students assigned to the same task from different groups may sometimes meet together to share information they have found.

6. Secretaries will record their assigned information on the bulletin board. (This is an ongoing activity.)

7. Each group will produce a report and another project (video, book, etc.) using the data the group has accumulated.

8. Each group will prepare an oral presentation about its project. (It is not necessary to have students share the written reports because they should be very similar.)

9. Offer to share your class reports and projects with your local historical society or museum.

RESOURCES:

1. Local historical society and historical museum.
2. Public Library
3. Cemetery
4. County records office
5. Chamber of Commerce
6. Community and family members
7. Idaho map
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   - "Visions of Idaho #9," "The World Comes to Idaho"
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**SECONDARY LEVEL**

**MIGRATION & SETTLEMENT**

**IDAHO'S IRON HORSE**

By Penny Andrew, Gail Bray, Jeanette Jackson, Susan Petty

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   c. Be pulling a train around the room.
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2. Hand out project guide and discuss.

3. Brainstorm the reasons Idaho needed the railroad in the 1890’s and list them on the board.

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**Get Rich Quick! Game**

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Mr. Ailor is a buyer for a retail silver company whose main supplier is the Gem mine in Aurora. Transporting the silver less than 200 miles has cut down on costs, making the final product very competitive with other silver companies. If they lose their main source of supply, the branch will close, and 40 employees will have to transfer or be unemployed.

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John has given his adult working life to hard rock mining. He has been given a disability retirement by the Gem Mining Corporation due to his health problems. He has emphysema, hearing loss from blasting, and internal bleeding. If the mine closes, he loses free health care, medical insurance, and prescriptions. In addition, his retirement will be reduced or lost. He is typical of many other employees of the Aurora mine and smelter.

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Barry is the sawyer for the St. Joe lumber company which supplies the mine timbers for Gem. This is the sole contract for the company. If the mine closes, it will impact the jobs of 80 employees, 60 wives, and 150 children. Fifty of these families are permanent residents of Aurora.

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Marie is a widow with 4 children ages 6-14. Her husband was killed 5 years ago in a mine disaster in the Aurora Mine. This is the only job she could get that would be close to a man’s wage, provide health benefits, and keep her family together. If the mine closes, the smelter will also close. As a woman, it will be hard to compete with so many unemployed men for work.

DR. HOWARD JOHNSTON, M.D.
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Dr. Johnson is employed at the Aurora Clinic, funded by the Gem Mining Corporation. Dr. Johnson has operated the clinic for 25 years. During that time, he has served two generations of miners and their families. He is the only source of medical care these families receive. A closure would mean the end of the people’s medical insurance, and the closing of the clinic as the company would no longer have an economic interest in the town.

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Mr. Carson is the third generation owner of the grocery store in Aurora. Eighty percent of his customers are made up of Gem mining and smelter families. He employs 40 locals: 10 men and 30 women. The loss of mining customers will mean a closure of his business. The next closest grocery is 70 miles away.

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AGE: 28
Miss Campbell is a native of Aurora. She has returned in order to try and help the slumping economy. The company she represents would like to develop a hotel, restaurant, and recreational facilities on nearby Silver Lake. The lake is a natural lake, long and wide with many natural harbors. If the area is developed, there will be new jobs, and income to the community through tourism. The lake and neighboring hillsides have been damaged due to the heavy pollution from the mine and smelter. This damage, however, could be reversed, and the facilities developed if Gem were to close the mine and smelter.

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I. COEUR D'ALENE MINING WARS
Unions did not begin in the Coeur d’Alene mining district until the early 1890’s. At that time, miners began to organize in order to secure higher wages for their skills, safer working conditions, better hours, control over health benefits, and hiring practices. Unions and their members were not very well liked by mining companies as they forced the managers to improve conditions, pay, health care, etc. Many mine managers formed their own organizations in order to keep up with the local union activity of the miners. All of this organization and competition for power led to conflict in the mines and mine towns, and often times the result was violence and death.

Problems arose in the district in 1892. At this time, the price of silver dropped, and railroads raised their rates on freight shipments. Rather than pay the higher shipping costs, the mine companies closed their mines. The idea was to deny the railroads their shipping income, thus forcing the railroads to drop their rates. When the mines reopened, wages were cut. Unhappy with this change, the union members went on strike. Instead of bringing change, union members were fired, nonunion, scab labor imported, and wages remained the same.

In July of 1892, the situation became violent. Because they had feared the worst, the company hired guards to protect their buildings. The presence of the guards, scabs, and unemployment brought tensions to the surface. On July 11, union members and guards exchanged gun shots. The shooting went on for hours. In the midst of the battle, dynamiters launched a bundle of explosives into a water pipe at the Frisco ore processing mill. The valley was rocked by the explosion, and the mill was demolished by the blast. The guards and scabs immediately surrendered, and the union celebrated a short lived victory.
MIKE HARRIS, ROGER SILVER COMPANY, NEW MEXICO

AGE: 51
Not only has the quality of silver Mike has purchased from the Aurora mine over the past years deteriorated, but the transportation costs for that silver have increased. His company has recently purchased their silver from the mines in Southern Nevada, and feels their loyalties would lie with these higher quality, less expensive mines.

STEWARD AILOR, FORD INTERNATIONAL SILVER COMPANY

AGE: 42
Mr. Ailor is a buyer for a retail silver company whose main supplier is the Gem mine in Aurora. Transporting the silver less than 200 miles has cut down on costs, making the final product very competitive with other silver companies. If they lose their main source of supply, the branch will close, and 40 employees will have to transfer or be unemployed.

JOHN HAUNITZ, FORMER AURORA MINER

AGE: 58
John has given his adult working life to hard rock mining. He has been given a disability retirement by the Gem Mining Corporation due to his health problems. He has emphysema, hearing loss from blasting, and internal bleeding. If the mine closes, he loses his free health care, medical insurance, and prescriptions. In addition, his retirement will be reduced or lost. He is typical of many other employees of the Aurora mine and smelter.

BARRY PEARSON, LUMBERMAN, ST. JOE TIMBER COMPANY

AGE: 31
Barry is the sawyer for the St. Joe lumber company which supplies the mine timbers for Gem. This is the sole contract for the company. If the mine closes, it will impact the jobs of 80 employees, 60 wives, and 150 children. Fifty of these families are permanent residents of Aurora.

MARIE WOLFE, EMPLOYEE OF AURORA SMELTER

AGE: 34
Marie is a widow with 4 children ages 6-14. Her husband was killed 5 years ago in a mine disaster in the Aurora Mine. This is the only job she could get that would be close to a man’s wage, provide health benefits, and keep her family together. If the mine closes, the smelter will also close. As a woman, it will be hard to compete with so many unemployed men for work.

DR. HOWARD JOHNSON, M.D.

AGE: 53
Dr. Johnson is employed at the Aurora Clinic, funded by the Gem Mining Corporation. Dr. Johnson has operated the clinic for 25 years. During that time, he has served two generations of miners and their families. He is the only source of medical care these families receive. A closure would mean the end of the people’s medical insurance, and the closing of the clinic as the company would no longer have an economic interest in the town.

KEN CARSON, AURORA GROCERY STORE OWNER

AGE: 47
Mr. Carson is the third generation owner of the grocery store in Aurora. Eighty percent of his customers are made up of Gem mining and smelter families. He employs 40 locals: 10 men and 30 women. The loss of mining customers will mean a closure of his business. The next closest grocery is 70 miles away.

LARA HOPKINS, OWNER OF THE AURORA OUTFITTER

AGE: 35
Lara is a single mother raising 2 small children. Her store specializes in logging and mining clothing. She purchased and moved to the building 2 years ago. In order to make this purchase, she acquired a bank loan for $100,000. Closing the mine would be a disaster for her.
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II. THE SECOND BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL

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CHARACTER SKETCH
WHO'S PLAYING WHO?

Identify each character as portrayed in the townhall presentation.

1. Identify the character by name or occupation.

2. Identify his or her position concerning the mine closure.

3. What is the basis for his or her argument?
GO AHEAD: STATE MY TERRITORY!

By Janet Allen, Tim Archibald, Peggy Hurd, Bonnie Krachuk

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LEARNING STATEMENTS:

THE STUDENT WILL:
1. Use natural resources, landforms, and population to determine boundaries for five states within a territory.
2. Work in cooperative groups using decision-making skills.
3. Justify placement of boundaries.
4. Compare results with the current boundaries of the 5 northwestern states.

MATERIALS:
1. Map of Haak Territory* for each student.
2. Overhead of Haak Territory with an overlay of 5 states*.
3. One transparency of Haak Territory for each group.
4. Transparency markers (a different color for each group).
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LESSON PROCEDURE:
1. Teacher divides class into cooperative groups and gives each group a map of Haak Territory without revealing its true identity.
2. Explain to class that it is the job of each group to divide the territory into 5 states taking into consideration natural resources, landforms and population, and any other factors they feel apply.
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4. Each group will choose one spokesperson, and one cartographer. The cartographer from each group will transfer the group's final borders onto the transparency. Then they will come to the overhead and place their group's transparency over the teacher's map of Haak Territory and the spokesperson will justify the choices made.

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6. The teacher then displays the real borders of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming using a transparency overlay.
7. Discussion proceeds, noting differences and similarities between the actual boundaries and the students' and why the actual boundaries became the way they did.

EXTENSIONS:

1. The students name their states and gives reasons for their names. (This should be done before revealing the actual states.
2. The students continue the lesson by working in their original cooperative group to make up a set of laws for one of their states. Then the teacher gives them some "what if" situations to test their laws such as, "What if I live between you and the river, can you dig ditches through my property to water your crops?" After each group has revised their laws as necessary, they elect a member to become a delegate to a delegate assembly. In that assembly, the members work towards consensus for a set of uniform laws. Meanwhile the other group members could design a state flag.
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3. Idaho Map Game Board and Questions
4. Tokens for Map Game
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DIRECTIONS FOR IDAHO MAP GAME:
1. After students have been divided into four groups, give each group a token.
2. Place the tokens at Lewiston.
3. Ask the groups the questions. The first group to correctly answer each question gets to move its token to the next county along the route through Idaho.
4. The first group to reach Boise wins.

Enrichment Activities:
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Mr. Hawley: Objection!

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(Suggests materials included in this lesson design)

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For the crosscut used for cutting up felled trees. This was designed for use by either one or two men.

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SECONDARY LEVEL

IDAHO ART AND LITERATURE

A SENSE OF PLACE

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INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

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PASSING CULTURE THROUGH STORIES AND ART

By Marilyn Sweeney, Theda Torgerson, Barbara Agnew, Kris Udy

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2. Form for interview for each student (included for copying)
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3. Summarize a story visually in a quilt block.
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5. Present a story to a large group.

MATERIALS:

1. Story for comparison (included)
2. Form for interview for each student (included for copying)
3. Butcher paper of many colors
4. Rubber cement/glue sticks for each student
5. Scissors

LESSON PROCEDURE:

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The teacher presents the first story by starting with the list of bare facts (Betsy Buttons, Version 2). She will contrast this by reading, or, better yet, telling the same story, (Betsy Buttons, Version 1). The class will discuss why the second form is more interesting. Ask students to discuss with their families whom to interview after Day 2.
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Students report back about whom they will interview and when. Teacher presents "Techniques for Interviewing and Recording Oral History and Culture." Teacher models interview technique by interviewing a guest brought into the classroom, using tape recorder and some sample questions. Send interview form home with student. Allow sufficient time for interviews to occur.

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Teacher re-reads Day 1 story and presents quilt block, which represents the most important elements of the story. The teacher emphasizes that since quilt blocks are sewn they must be fairly simple. Students could sketch out a plan on paper but the activity is best done by making a mental list of key elements (two is enough) and then cutting butcher paper into shapes that are glued to a 6x6 background block. The only tool used MUST be scissors. Colored backgrounds should be offered by the teacher, of a uniform size, cut of butcher paper, as colored backgrounds make the blocks appear more design-like than white backgrounds. The teacher mounts the quilt blocks onto a large piece of butcher paper with rubber cement.

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The teacher puts the quilt up for display. The students gather around and begin their presentation by pointing out their part in the quilt. Each child presents the interview, told in a story form, to the class. He may want to use an artifact as he tells the story.

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(A record of facts.)
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LEARNING STATEMENTS:

THE STUDENT WILL:

1. Display demographic information through charts, graphs and maps.
2. Become aware of the migratory patterns and settlements of the diverse ethnic groups in Idaho.
3. Become more aware of the cultural contributions of the ethnic groups in Idaho.
4. Become more aware of the fallacies of stereotyping and racial and cultural discrimination.

MATERIALS:

1. Film: Proceeding On... Visions of Idaho #9, The World Comes to Idaho (Idaho State Library, No. VC-1329).
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4. Have each group share the information they have collected either through oral presentations or written reports.
5. Discuss influences of various groups on the demographics of the statewide community.
6. Using census charts (provided in this lesson) locate centers of ethnic populations on the Idaho map.
7. Using the chronological census chart develop a bar graph illustrating the history of immigration or population growth by American Indians, Blacks, Chinese and Japanese.
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EXTENDED ACTIVITIES:

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