

UNIT # 3 – Founding the Nation

Grade Level: 5

Subject Area(s): Civics - 1.1.1

Goal(s): Introduce Spokane Tribal Constitution - What it is – Why STOI (Spokane Tribe of Indians) have it. Connect to US Constitution Article 1, 6, & 8. (Supremacy clause and commerce clause)

Objective(s): Explain the purpose of Tribal constitution and what it accomplishes for the Tribe.

Spokane Tribal Connection:

Connects to Spokane Tribal Government.
(present day)

Spokane Tribal Values:

Responsibility
Connecting culture
Leadership

Vocabulary:

Constitution
Clause
Sovereign
Preamble

Knowledgeable

Lesson Teaching Plan:**The teacher will:**

Present the Spokane Tribal Constitution.

Give background information:

The Spokane tribe adopted the Constitution in 1951. The reason
Being so the Tribe could be recognized in WA D.C. with the US gov't
And file land claims

It was a very rushed project. With a purpose to be heard by the US gov't.
Since then, the constitution has been ratified and adapted.

Discuss the purpose of the Spokane Tribal Const.

Overview the "articles" of the constitution. Give title and example of what is "covered" in that article.

Discuss the making of and ratification of the constitution.

Discuss why STOI (Spokane Tribe of Indians) continue to follow the constitution and how it benefits the Tribe.

Materials Needed:

Copy of Spokane Tribal Constitution

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Activity:

Bubble Map. Create a class bubble map to outline articles of the S.T. Constitution. Add student responses that summarize each article.

Assessment: *Pre-Test/Post-Test Instrument*

Student responses on bubble map.

Index cards students summarize sections of Constitution.

Enrichment:

Use of specific vocabulary – higher level students can use vocabulary from constitution for summary.

LESSON ALIGNED TO:

SPOKANE CULTURAL CURRICULUM

COMMON CORE STANDARDS:

5.RI.4 5.RI.2 5.SL.1d 5.SL.2 5.L.1 5.L.4a

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5th Grade - CREATIVE CURRICULUM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES / EALRS

5th graders will be able to explain purpose of constitution. Its benefits to the Tribe. As well as Identify the major ideals it was founded upon. Creatively, students will be able to come up with multiple ways of representing the ideals and benefits of the constitution.

Community Resources

Preservation - pictures

Language Dept. - Salish Translation