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Unit Plan Overview for Interdisciplinary Traveling Trunk

Title of Unit: Palmetto Patriots: The American Revolution in South Carolina Grade Level: 8 Duration: 5-8 days

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South Carolina Academic Standards for two or more content areas:

ELA (CCSS)	Math (CCSS)	Science	Social Studies
8-RL-1 . Cite the textual evidence that most	8.EE.5	8-1.3 Construct	8-2.3 Summarize the
strongly supports an analysis of what the		explanations and	course and key conflicts of
text says explicitly as well as inferences		conclusions from	the American Revolution
drawn from the text.		interpretations of	in South Carolina and its
8-SL-1 . Engage effectively in a range of		data obtained	effects on the state,
collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in		during a controlled	including the attacks on
groups, and teacher led)		scientific	Charleston: the Battle of
with diverse partners on grade 8 topics,		investigation.	Camden: the partisan
texts, and issues, building on others' ideas		8-3.9 Identify and	warfare of Thomas Sumter,
and expressing their own clearly.		illustrate features	Andrew Pickens, and
a. Come to discussions prepared, having		of South Carolina	Francis Marion: and Battle
read or researched material under study;		and other regions.	of Cowpens: and the Battle
explicitly draw on that preparation by			of Kings Mountain.
referring to evidence on the topic, text, or			8-2.4 Compare the
issue to probe and reflect on ideas under			perspectives of different
discussion.			groups of South
b. Follow rules for collegial discussions			Carolinians during the
and decision-making, track progress			American Revolution,
toward specific goals and deadlines, and			including Patriots,
define individual roles as needed.			Tories/Loyalists, women,
c. Pose questions that connect the ideas of			enslaved and free Africans,
several speakers and respond to others'			and Native
questions and comments with relevant			Americans.
evidence, observations, and ideas.			
d. Acknowledge new information			
expressed by others, and, when warranted,			
qualify or justify their own views in light			
of the evidence presented.			

Class Novel	Kings Mountain G. Clifton Wisler (SS Class)
Literature Circle	2 copies of each Picture Book Below:
Novels	Let it Begin Here: Lexington and Concord by Dennis Brindell

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	Independent Dames by Laurie Halse Anderson	
	The Scarlet Stocking Spy by Trinka Hakes Noble	
	When Washington Crossed the Delaware: A Wintertime Story for Young Patriots by	
	Lynne Cheney	
	They Called her Molly Pitcher by Anne Rockwell	
	George vs. George: The Revolutionary War as Seen by Both Sides	
	Samuel's Choice by Richard Berleth	
	Katie's Trunk by Ann Turner	
	When Mr. Jefferson Came to Philadelphia by Anne Turner	
	Duel! Burr and Hamilton's Deadly War of Words by Dennis Brindell	
Text Sets	Road to Guilford Courthouse by John Buchanan	
	The Carolina Backcountry on the Eve of the Revolution by Charles Woodmason	
	Partisans and Redcoats by Edgar Walter	
	American Revolution (DK Eyewitness Books)	
	The Patriot	
	A Devil of a Whipping: The Battle of Cowpens by Lawrence Edward Babits	
Essential	How did the Revolution affect the daily life of all people living in America during the	
Questions	American Revolution?	
	Why are ratios and proportions important?	
	How are ratios and proportions used in the real world?	
	How are ratios and proportions used in other subject areas, such as social studies and	
	science?	
	How were ratios and proportions used during the American Revolution?	
	What types of information is represented on a topographic map?	
	How are landforms represented on a topographic map?	
	What role did the topography play during the Battle of Cowpens?	
Vocabulary	Loyalist	
v	Patriot	
	Propaganda	
	Ratio	
	Rates	
	Proportions	
	Unit Price	
	Topographic Map	
	Contour Lines	
	Index Lines	
	Partisans	
	Militia	
Materials	ELA:	
TVILLE ILLIS	Construction Paper	
	Markers/Crayons/Colored Pencils	
	Chart Paper (2 pieces per group and at least one additional piece for the KWL chart)	
	Propaganda Handout	
	Propaganda PowerPoint	
	What's in Your Book? Handout	
	Project Requirements Explanation and Rubric	
	Propaganda Topic Strips	
	Propaganda Crossword Puzzle	

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Math:

"The Battle of Cowpens" article http://www.nps.gov/cowp/historyculture/the-battle-of-cowpens.htm

"Patriot Minorities at the Battle of Cowpens" article

http://www.nps.gov/cowp/historyculture/patriot-minorities-at-the-battle-of-cowpens.htm

American Revolution: Ratios, Rates, and Proportions and the Battle of Cowpens

Worksheet

How Can I Feed the Troops worksheet

Rulers

Calculators

Battle of the Cowpens map

(http://www.nps.gov/pwr/customcf/apps/maps/showmap.cfm?alphacode=cowp&parkname=Cowpens%20National%20Battlefield)

empty cardboard boxes

Markers

Colored pencils

Instrumental music

Project rubrics

Science:

clear, plastic half-gallon storage container (1 per group)

scissors

modeling clay

clear plastic sheet (transparency or sheet protectors)

cellophane tape

ruler

water

food coloring

box of spaghetti

erasable marker pen

Light-colored bulletin board paper

Comparison chart

Topographic maps of regions of South Carolina

Laboratory experiment worksheet "Investigating Topographic Maps"

Markers

Unlined paper

Project rubric

Colored pencils

Maps and pictures of the Cowpens battlefield

Social Studies:

Powerpoint

Textbook

Photograph Analysis Worksheet

The Patriot

Activities

In ELA, students will be focusing on propaganda techniques in relation to the American Revolution. Students will evaluate picture books about the American Revolution to discern facts or biases. The unit culminates with students creating speeches and posters

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for both the Loyalist and Patriot causes.

Math students will be exploring rates, ratios, and proportions. Students will compare casualties from the Battle of Cowpens and create ratios. Another task will be to create unit prices and rates for feeding the troops that fought in the battle. Scale factors and maps are investigated leading students to create a large scale battlefield outside and a reenactment of the battle! Finally, students create a poster, song, or game reflecting how ratios, rates, and proportions relate to the American Revolution.

In science, students will compare topographic maps of the four major Revolutionary battle sites in South Carolina. Learners will also complete a laboratory experiment constructing a topographic map of their own design. The unit concludes with student pairs drawing a topographic map of the Cowpens battlefield.

In social studies, students will daily read the novel *Kings Mountain* for several weeks. Learners will be learning about the battles and men who fought in them. Activities include analyzing painting of the Battle of Cowpens and creating a newspaper.

Pre-Writing and Writing Activities

Journal Topics:

- What questions would you ask in an interview with a Patriot from the American Revolution?
- Can you assess the value or importance of the American Revolution and how it has affected the way you live today?
- Pretend you are a Patriot, Tory/Loyalist, woman, enslaved or free African American, or Native American during the American Revolution. How do you think you would use ratios and proportions in your daily life?
- Compare and contrast topographic maps to other types of maps you have previously seen: such as road maps, political maps, and relief maps.
- Imagine you are responsible for planning a hiking trip for our class to King's Mountain National Park and Battlefield. Describe the benefits of using a topographic map to help plan the class trip.
- Imagine you are a commander planning strategy for the upcoming battle at Cowpens. How would a topographic map aid you in battle strategy?
- How did the topography affect the outcome of the battle? If you were Commander Morgan, would you have done anything differently? If so, what would you do? Explain.
- Why was the Patriot victory at King's Mountain a turning point of the war in South Carolina?

K-W-L charts

Graffiti Wall

Create propaganda skits.

Create a speech and poster from the Loyalist and Patriot perspective.

Design newspaper article or political cartoon including information about battle plans or strategies, dates, commanders, casualties. Students should include a quote from one of the three sources.

Record observations and applications from lab experiment.

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Accommodations/ Differentiating Instruction

ELA Accommodations:

Students with learning disabilities will only have to create one poster and one speech. They may use a computer to create their speeches and posters in order to help with spelling, neatness, and creativity.

Students needing a challenge may be asked to include a certain number of facts within their speeches or posters. They may also be asked to do some of their own research to add into their projects.

Math Accommodations:

Teacher will premeasure the grid for students with disabilities during the Battle recreation. Those unable to participate physically can use the computer to draw a battlefield. Peer partnering will also be utilized for special needs students.

Students needing a challenge will be utilized as a mentor student to aid those needing assistance.

Science and Social Studies Accommodations:

Students with learning disabilities may be given modified assignment requirements on the projects and activities. They may also be paired with a peer partner that will aid them in their project.

Students needing a challenge may be given additional responsibilities in the culminating activities. In science, students may be asked to sketch a topographic map of the Camden battlefield. In Social Studies, students will be asked to assist in editing and publishing the newspapers for their group.

Attached: Daily Lesson Plans