



Teacher Lesson Plan Idea

Arkansas State Parks

“Aren’t you glad we’ve got ‘em?”

FRAMEWORK(s): G.3.5.7, H.6.5.21, H.6.5.25, H.6.5.33

GRADE LEVEL(s): Designed for grade 5, but could be adapted for others.

TASK: Students shall develop an understanding of the interactions between people and their environment.

Students shall analyze significant ideas, events, and people in world, national, state, and local history and how they affect change over time.

APPROXIMATE TIME: 1 week, in and outside of class

MATERIALS: Computer/printer
Internet access
Paper
Pencil
AR state road maps
Posterboard
Glue
Scissors
Markers/colored pencils

PROCEDURE:

Arkansas is blessed with a number of beautiful state parks...52 to be exact! As a new member of the Arkansas State Parks Tourism Department, you want to learn as much as you can about each of the state parks. Students will randomly draw the name of one park and begin to research.

Create a colorful and attractive poster to display all of your research findings and to teach others about the uniqueness of the park. Be sure to include all of the following elements:

State park title

Brief history of the park

Location

Pictures (at least 3)

Interesting facts (at least 5)

Park activities – What does the park offer visitors?

In which of the 6 geographic regions of Arkansas is the park located?

Natural resources found in the park?

Colorful, creative, neat

Job List – Who works at the park? (e-mail or call the park)

RESOURCES:

Arkansas Vacation Kits

www.arkansasstateparks.com

www.arkansas.com

Students may e-mail or phone the park for job list information.