



Teacher Lesson Plan Idea

Arkansas Rivers Foldable

FRAMEWORK(s):	G.1.AH.7-8.2
GRADE LEVEL:	7 – 8 (can be modified for other grade levels)
TASK:	Students shall identify and map major rivers of Arkansas
APPROXIMATE TIME:	Two to three class periods
MATERIALS:	access to computer, access to Internet, projector, screen, construction paper, pencil, and textbook.

PROCEDURE:

1. Select four of the six major rivers of Arkansas.
2. Conduct research using textbook (i.e *An Arkansas History for Young People*, Hopper, 2008, U of A Press), classroom resources, and Internet on the major rivers of Arkansas.
3. Using colored construction paper; fold the paper in a hotdog fold leaving some space for the title “Arkansas Rivers.” Fold the paper in the opposite direction of the hotdog fold to make four sections (see example below).
4. On the outside of the foldable students will label each section one of the four rivers. On the left side (in the inside of the foldable) write a characteristic, definition, or example of the river. On the right side of the foldable include an image. (This can be word processed or hand written).
5. Next class, present a section of your foldable (This can be modified to allow students to present each section to the class; or it can be used as an opener allowing students to present over the course of the unit).

ENRICHMENT: Post the foldable around the class or around the school building, allowing students to see their work on display. Ask students to write a one paragraph reflection on what was learned, their favorite part of the project, and/or what they might do differently or add next time.

The Arkansas River Valley lies between the Ozarks and the Ouachita Mountains. There are "The Tri-peaks" that dominate the valley - Nebo, Petit Jean and Magazine.

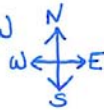


All along the eastern part of Arkansas, better known as the Delta. The Delta is almost all flat and is some of the best farmland in America.



Arkansas Geography

Its long valley contains good farmland. Before the railroad and the automobile, the river offered the primary avenue of travel into the state. The Arkansas River crosses the state from NW to SE.



The Ozark Plateau stretches into southwestern Missouri is the oldest land far in the state. The Buffalo, Kings, and White Rivers carve through the Ozark Plateau. The trees are mostly hardwoods, such as oak and hickory, walnut and maple.



Example of a hotdog