

Middle School Social Studies Lesson Plan

Political/ Editorial Cartoon

- Lesson Plan Notes:
 - Prior knowledge needed:
 - Political/ editorial cartoon purposes
- Skill:
 - Students will use inquiry to analyze the political/editorial cartoon
- Sunshine State Standard:
 - SS.8.A.1.2 - Analyze charts, graphs, maps, photographs and timelines; analyze political cartoons; determine cause and effect.
- Materials needed:
 - Electronic newspaper
 - Interactive whiteboard (IAWB)
 - Paper
 - Pencil
- Time Allotment:
 - One class period (40- 50 minutes)
- Activity:
 - Before class:
 - Copy/ paste the cartoon to your IAWB
 - Hide the artists words on the cartoon
 - One copy for every group in the class
 - The idea is to have each individual comic available for future student use
 - During class:
 - Show students the cartoon with no words
 - In small groups, have students develop appropriate editorials
 - Have groups complete the blank cartoon on the board
 - Show students the original editorial cartoon
 - Extension/ Enrichment:
 - Students can use appropriate resources to create their own image and words on the topic
- Assessment:
 - Student was able to work cooperatively in a group
 - Student was able to complete assignment appropriately