

Lesson Plan

Grade level(s): 4-8

Topic: Health; Language Arts; Social Studies

Objective(s): To work cooperatively to research and present findings on issues, hazards and policies related to smoking cigarettes.
To recognize, compare and become aware of smoking habits and policies within different communities.
To create a newsletter or PowerPoint presentation.

Big6 Skills:

- Self analysis on how they feel about smoking or being around others who smoke.
- Research strategies
- Brainstorming for topics to be covered in presentation.
 - Current policies or legislation about smoking
 - Smoking health risks
 - Costs of smoking
 - Secondhand smoke
- Students will gather, evaluate and synthesize their information to write articles or slides about the assigned topic(s) in presentation.

Materials Required:

- Sacramento Bee newspaper article on banning smoking in a park; 11/15/2007.
<http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=1383537721&sid=1&Fmt=3&clientId=3579&RQT=309&VName=PQD>
- LiLI- Databases (magazines, newspapers, graphics)
- Media Center and classroom resources
- Computer (word processing, PowerPoint)
- Internet access
- pen, pencil
- paper

Time Required:

- 2-3 weeks

Description of activities:

- Create a class newsletter or a PowerPoint presentation from research findings.

Assessment:

- Completed newsletter or PowerPoint presentation

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