

Lesson Plan: Technological Advancements

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Grade: 6th -8th

Wyoming Standards:

SS8.3.3- Describe the impact of technological advancements on production, distribution, and consumption.

Duration:

2- 3 hour tour of the National Museum of Military Vehicles located in Dubois Wyoming

Introduction:

The National Museum of Military Vehicles will provide a tour of the museum that incorporates the Wyoming state social studies standard listed above. The purpose of this lesson is to show students how technological advancements helped change production, distribution, and consumption during World War II & the Cold War Era.

Key Vocabulary:

Industrialization-

Ration Booklets-

Lend Lease Act-

United Nations-

Learning Objectives:

- Identify how industrialization in the early stages of World War II changed the tides of war.
- Identify how ration booklets changed the production rate and consumption
- Understand how battles and events of war impacted the outcome. Understand how battles change production and consumption rates.

Lesson Overview:

The lesson will begin with students discussing what events in their lives have shaped who they are today. This will promote the association with the topic we will be discussing for the length of

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the tour. We will begin in the galleries when the group has covered events and how they change outcomes. We will discuss how the U.S. industrialized in the early stages of WWII, we will also have a discussion about minorities and Rosie the Riveter. As we progress through the Marshall gallery we will discuss the lend lease program and how it impacted the United States economy specifically production, distribution, and consumption. Finally, as we progress into Korea and Vietnam we will discuss how the United Nations was created and how its creation changed production, consumption, and distribution during the Korean War and the Vietnam War. In each of the galleries, we will discuss how production, distribution, and consumption changed and what technology changed it for the better or impacted it in a negative way.

Wyoming State Standards Addressed in Lesson:

SS8.3.3- Describe the impact of technological advancements on production, distribution, and consumption.

- Through this, we will discuss how industrialization occurred during the early stages of World War II.
 - We will have a large group discussion as well as small groups and relate technology advancements to their personal lives.
- In the Patton gallery, we will discuss what life was like in the United States during World War II and what standard citizens had to do.

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