

Lesson Plan: Patterns of Change

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Grade: 9th-12th

Wyoming Standards:

SS12.4.1- Describe patterns of change (cause and effect) & evaluate how past events impacted future events in the modern world.

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 cause and effect work in history and to grasp a better understanding of some events that shaped their lives.

Key Vocabulary:

Pearl Harbor-

Truman Doctrine-

Domino Theory-

Communism-

Learning Objectives:

- Identify how Pearl Harbor shaped modern society
- Identify how the Truman Doctrine and the domino theory work hand and hand and how it impacted the Vietnam War as well as the Korean War.
- Understand how communism shaped the Cold War Era

Lesson Overview:

The lesson will begin with students having a discussion about 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 the tour. We will begin in the galleries when the group has covered events and how they change outcomes. We will first discuss Pearl Harbor and how it has changed

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the American military. We will then continue through the galleries discussing how different technology has helped shape modern times. When we enter Korea we as a group will discuss how the Truman Doctrine might affect the United States. At the end of the Puller gallery, we will wrap up by revisiting the Truman Doctrine and its impact on the Korean War as well as the Vietnam War. We will also discuss how the idea of Communism changed the United States and how it impacted their lives today.

Wyoming State Standards Addressed in Lesson:

SS12.4.1- Describe patterns of change (cause and effect) & evaluate how past events impacted future events in the modern world.

- When discussing Pearl Harbor, the Truman Doctrine, the domino theory, and communism the students will understand how they each played a crucial role in their current lives
 - This promotes critical thinking and analytical skills
- At the end of the tour, we will revisit the guiding question of “How do historical events impact the future and your lives”
 - Each student will “Think-Pair-Share” what their answers are. We will have a large group discussion and conclude the tour.