

Lesson Plan: Tools and Technology

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Grade: 9th-12th

Wyoming Standards:

SS12.4.2- Analyze the development and impact of tools and technologies and how they shaped history and influenced 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 tools and technologies have shaped not only history but also the modern world.

Key Vocabulary:

Government Contracts-

Rosie the Riveter-

Red Ball Express-

Huey-

Learning Objectives:

- Identify how government contracts during World War II helped with the course of the war.
- Identify how Rosie the Riveter was used as a focal point in the United States industries
- Understanding how the helicopter helped the war effort in Vietnam.

Lesson Overview:

The lesson will begin with students discussing what technologies 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 the industrialization of the United States after Pearl Harbor and how it changed American society and the military. We will then continue through the gallery discussing how different technology has helped shape modern times. When we enter

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Korea we as a group will discuss how the Truman Doctrine might affect the United States and its infrastructure. When we arrive at Vietnam we will discuss the impact the Helicopter made during the war and how it helped shape the outcome. 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.

Wyoming State Standards Addressed in Lesson:

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- When discussing how the U.S. industrialized in the early stages of the war and how it played a crucial part in shaping their lives
 - This promotes critical thinking and analytical skills
- We will also discuss some key figures and how they promoted new technologies and tools for the U.S. to use
 - We will talk about minorities and their roles during this time
- 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.