

Nine-Patch Quilt
Grade : 4
An integrated lesson plan covering 4-5 sessions of approximately 45 minutes each.
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## Lesson-Planning Approach

Some learners perceive their "world" as a whole, where all things are interconnected and dependent upon each other. These "integrated" students face major challenges in coping with our dominant educational, social, and economic systems, which tend to present information in a linear fashion without the necessity of integration into meaningful context. Integrated students are at-risk of failing as they attempt to grasp information in ways that do not match their experience. Among large populations of atrisk students are many from Native American and similar cultures who do not regard their world as a sum of parts but as a blend of all that they experience.

This lesson plan does include some traditional, linear approaches to delivering information (checklists, rules, analysis, problem solving and organization). In addition to the traditional, linear delivery of information, this lesson plan also includes some of the following strategies, designed to appeal to at-risk students as they learn academic/life skills:

* Integration of technology
* Story telling/anecdotal information
* Non-competitive group and team work
* Performance-based assessment and rubrics
* Visual presentations and practice through technology and other means


## Lesson Overview

This lesson is designed to provide the students with a culminating activity to parallel with their Literature Unit, Little House on the Prairie. The students will be introduced to various types of quilts, focusing on the Nine-Patch Quilt. The class will research through technology, and a visit to a Quilt Shop, to learn the importance of the quilt during the pioneer days. As a final project, the students will construct their own NinePatch Quilt using a downloaded template from a specific site. Blocks can be displayed together on a bulletin board as your class's own none-patch quilt.

## Lesson Objectives

Lesson Project: Nine-Patch Quilt
Project Objectives: When students complete this project, they will be able to...

- Link on to a specific site to use as a resource to find facts on quilts.
- Search the web for other links to quilts.
- Locate and record facts about quilts.
- Design and print a nine-patch quilt on a provided template.
- Produce a class quilt with each of their Nine-Patch Squares.
- Explain what they did, to reinforce the process skills.

Integration of Other Functional/Academic Skills: (Critical thinking is required throughout the lesson.) Students will be able to...

- Reading - Summarize an article, finding four facts from the resource.
- Art - Design a pattern to use on their Nine-Patch Quilt.
- Social Studies - Understand and apply the history of quilts in general.
- Technology - Click onto a website to locate information for further reference.


## State/National Standards (Complete as Appropriate)

## Colorado State Standards

- Language Arts Standard 1 Students will read and understand a variety of materials.
- Language Arts Standard 4 - Students apply thinking skills to their reading, writing, speaking, listening, and viewing.
- Language Arts Standard 5 Students read to locate, select, and make use of relevant information from a variety of media, reference, and technological sources.
- Language Arts Standard 6 - Students read ad recognize literature as a record of human experiences.
- Social Studies Standard 2 Students know how to use the processes and resources of historical inquiry.
- Art Standard 2 Students know and apply elements of art, principles of design, and sensory and expressive features of visual arts.
- Geography Standard 6 - Students apply knowledge of people, places, and environments to understand the past and present and to plan for the future.
- Technology Standard 2 Students will use appropriate technology to accomplish personal production and to develop lifelong learning shills.
- Technology Standard 5 Students will use technology to advance and enrich learning.


## Websites

Required: http://hoover.nara.gov/kids/liw kids/activities 9patchquilt.html
Support: Microsoft Word/Word Art

## Pre-requisites

- Third grade \& up.
- Have read, Little House on the Prairie.
- Have been exposed to Word Art from their Computer Class.


## Required Materials

- Colored Pencils or markers.


## Handouts

- Handouts for each lesson.


## Required Equipment/Technology

- Computer Lab
- Access to the Internet
- Acrobat Reader
- Microsoft Word Document


## THE LESSON I Nine-Patch Quilt

## Note: Students do not learn from what you do but from what you have them do.

## Preparation

| Activity | Time Estimate | Instructor Notes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Provide Handoutt <br> to the students for <br> them to record their <br> facts about the nine- <br> patch quilt. | 10 minutes | Handout will be a nine-patch quilt. (Blank) |
| Explain to the <br> students how they <br> will be working with <br> a partner for this <br> activity. |  |  |

## Presentation

| Activity | Time Estimate | Instructor Notes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Model to the <br> students the steps <br> to link onto various <br> websites about <br> quilts. (Handout) | 20 minutes | Provide the students with the required link <br> for the activity, and show them how to <br> search the web for other resources. |
| Have the students <br> take turns with <br> teacher guidance, <br> searching the web. | 20 minutes |  |

## Practice and Performance

(Students help you perform the project steps. You help them perform proje3ct steps.
They perform steps with little or no instructor help.)

| Activity | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Time } \\ \text { Estimate }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Instructor } \\ \text { Notes }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Students will link onto } \\ \text { http://hoover.nara.gov/kids/liw kids/activities 9patchquilt.html }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Observe and } \\ \text { assist } \\ \text { students as } \\ \text { needed. }\end{array}$ |  |
| minutes |  |  |$]$| Evaluate with |
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| rubric. |

## THE LESSON II Nine-Patch Quilt

Note: Students do not learn from what you do but from what you have them do.

## Preparation

| Activity | Time Estimate | Instructor Notes |
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| Today the students <br> will design their own <br> nine-patch quilt <br> using the provided <br> template. | 20-30 minutes | At the computer lab, have the template <br> downloaded for the students. |

## Presentation

| Activity | Time Estimate | Instructor Notes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Demonstrate to the <br> students how to use <br> Word Art to design <br> their templates. <br> Handout | 20 minutes | The students will only be able to apply the <br> outline of their designs. They will use <br> colored pencils to color their nine-patch <br> quilts. |
| Have the students <br> play around with <br> Word Art to try <br> various techniques. | 20 minutes | Each square may be a new pattern. |

## Practice and Performance

(Students help you perform the project steps. You help them perform proje3ct steps.
They perform steps with little or no instructor help.)

| Activity | Time Estimate | Instructor Notes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Now the students <br> will start to design <br> their own nine-patch <br> quilts. Students will <br> be working in Micro- <br> soft Word for this <br> activity. | $30-40$ minutes | Observe and assist the students as <br> needed. |
| After the students <br> have completed <br> their quilts, have <br> them print their <br> products. They can <br> continue to finish <br> their quilts, by <br> coloring them in. | $30-40$ minutes | Evaluate students with a rubric. |

## Lesson I Handout Searching the Internet

## Searching the Internet

## Step-by-Step Instructions:

- Begin at your desktop.
- Click onto the Internet Explorer Icon.
- At the top of your monitor, you will see an address bar.
- Type in www.google.com
- At this site, we will search for sites on quilts.
- In the address bar type in www.quilts.com
- Press enter, and let your search begin.
- You and your partner can click onto any of the sites to find facts about quilts.
- If the site isn't what you are looking for, click onto the Back Arrow in your tool bar.
- Click onto a new site, and begin your search again.
- Don't forget to record your facts on your Nine-Patch Quilt paper.


## Put a fact about quilts in each block.

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## Lesson II Handout

## Nine-Patch Quilt

## Design a Nine-Patch Quilt

## Step-by-Step Instructions:

- Click onto one of the boxes.
- Click onto Auto Shapes (Toolbar)
- Look at the display of shapes arrows, stars, etc...
- Choose one of the designs, and then click in the box of the template.
- Your design should have appeared.
- You can adjust the size on your shape with the outside boxes around the shape.
- Continue to add shapes to the other boxes.
- You can have more than one shape in a box.
- Continue until all your boxes are filled.
- When you have completed, have your teacher check your work.
- Print


## Preparation, Presentation and Overall Implementation (Instructor)

- Am I addressing the instructions on each activity to meet the needs of the students?
- Am I allowing enough time for each lesson?
- Was I knowledgeable with lesson to make everything clear to the students?


## Performance and Practice (Student)

- Did the lesson provide high enough interest for the students?
- Were the students feeling overwhelmed?
- Do the students have a better understanding of the importance of quilts?


## Technology

- Were the students comfortable with the technology used in this lesson? What is the "Real World" connection from this lesson?


## Activity Checklist

## Lesson I Nine-Patch Quilt

| Provide the students with Lesson I <br> Handout...Searching the Internet. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Students will be working with a partner. |  |
| Students will search the internet for sites <br> to locate information on nine-patch quilts. |  |
| Provide students with Nine-Patch Quilt <br> Handout to record their facts. |  |

## Lesson II Nine-Patch Quilt

| Students will use a Word Document to <br> create their own quilts. A template will be <br> provided. |  |
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| Students will create their quilts using <br> Word Art in their template. |  |
| Students will print their projects. |  |
| Students will color their final projects. |  |
| Teacher will evaluate with a rubric. |  |

## Technology Checklist

- Check that all computers are downloaded with quilt template for Lesson I.
- Check that the Internet is up and running for Lesson I.

Name: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$

Project Title:
Teacher(s): Mrs. Geisinger

Nine-Patch Quilt


| Process | Below Avg. | Satisfactory | Excellent |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Has clear vision of final product | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 2. Properly organized to complete <br> project | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 3. Managed time wisely | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 4. Acquired needed knowledge base | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 5. Communicated efforts with <br> teacher | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| Product (Project) | Below Avg. | Satisfactory | Excellent |
| 1. Format | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 2. Mechanics of speaking/writing | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 3. Organization and structure | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 4. Creativity | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |
| 5. Demonstrates knowledge | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9,10$ |
| 6. Other: | $1,2,3$ | $4,5,6$ | $7,8,9$ |

Total Score: $\qquad$

## The following references were used to develop this curriculum:

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