

February Lesson Plan

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Integrating technology *Before...During...After* your lesson with Clickers!

Okay, so it is really called a Classroom Response System but you know everyone calls them “clickers”!



Black History Month Activity—resources on next page

Before—use clickers to assess prior knowledge

Plan ahead...enter pre-test quiz questions into the CPS software. When the students “click” their answer it will be automatically recorded in the software. Show the students a graph of what they know about the topic!

During—Keep students attention with a mid-class pop quiz.

Arrange students into small learning communities and allow groups to choose a person from the pretest to research (Rosa Parks, Frederick Douglas, etc). Provide books from the library, articles, or internet access for research. Students should share what they learn before the close of class.

In the meantime don't forget you have those clickers!! Throw up an impromptu pop quiz:

Are you paying attention?

Is your group socializing or on task?

Do you need help?

You can plot their answers and even create some healthy competition by comparing the results of each group!

After—use clickers to assess student learning

Reuse the pre-test quiz after students have explored facts about Black History. Compare and Contrast the graphs of their responses before and after the lesson.

Black History Month QUIZ ~ Grade 4+
www.teachervision.com **Answers in Bold**

1. Which former slave and noted abolitionist edited and published "The North Star," an abolitionist newspaper?

Phillis Wheatley

Benjamin Banneker

Frederick Douglass

2. The 15th Amendment, which granted African-Americans the right to vote, was passed on which date?

February 3, 1870

July 14, 1889

November 19, 1910

3. Which civil rights activist gained notoriety in the late 19th century for her scathing editorials denouncing racial injustice?

Sojourner Truth

Zora Neale Hurston

Ida B. Wells

4. Noted African-American intellectual and civil rights activist W.E.B. DuBois was a founding member of which organization in 1910?

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

The National Negro Business League

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

5. Which landmark Supreme Court case represented an important victory for the civil rights movement in 1954?

Plessy vs. Ferguson

Dred Scott vs. Sandford

Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka

6. Who is generally considered the mother of the civil rights movement?

Harriet Tubman

Susan B. Anthony

Rosa Parks

7. Which of the following propelled Martin Luther King Jr. to national prominence as a leader of the civil rights movement?

He led the boycott (1955–56) by African-Americans in Montgomery, Alabama, against the segregated city bus lines.

He organized the massive March on Washington (1963), at which he gave his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize (1964) for his philosophy of nonviolent resistance.

8. On June 11, 1963, President Kennedy ordered the National Guard to ensure the enrollment of two African-American students, Vivian Malone and James Hood, at which university?

University of Mississippi

University of Chicago

University of Alabama

9. What key event in the civil rights movement happened in 1964?

Thurgood Marshall became the first African-American to be appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Congress passed the Civil Rights Act.

The Black Panther Party was formed.

10. The National Rainbow Coalition, a political organization uniting various minority groups, was formed in 1986 by which African-American political leader?

General Colin Powell

Louis Farrakhan

Reverend Jesse Jackson Sr.