

Lesson Plan

Local Lingo

Book: *Local Governments*

Series: American Government

Level: Pioneer

Objective

To help students determine the meaning of words in a text.

Supplies

- *Local Governments* book
- Local Lingo worksheet (attached)
- Pens and pencils

Before the Activity

Read the *Local Governments* book to the class, or assign it to students to read on their own. Print a Local Lingo worksheet for each student.

Activity

After reading the book, each student should complete the Local Lingo worksheet. Students should write each word from the word bank underneath the definition that describes it. If students get stuck, they can look back through the book for clues.

Give students several minutes to fill in their answers. Then, go through the worksheet answers as a class. Use the attached answer key to read the correct answers aloud, and ask students to grade their own work. Then collect the work sheet at the end of class.

Evaluation

Use the attached answer key to give students 1 point for each correct answer, for up to 8 points total.

Standards

This lesson may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational text, grade 2 (RI 2.4).

Local Lingo Worksheet

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local	county
city	councils
election	mayor

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6. The leader of a town or city.
7. An area that is led by a board and has many towns and cities.
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