

Urbana - Champaign during the Civil War

Fellowship Lesson 2009

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Lesson 1: Students will begin to understand the extent that Illinois was involved in the Civil War

Abstract: In this lesson students will begin by assessing prior knowledge of the Civil War through a KWL chart. An introduction of Illinois' part in the Civil War will be presented through a power point and, at the conclusion, students will have mapped out the Military Camps and Prisoner of War camps in the state of Illinois.

Essential Questions:

- To what extent did Illinois contribute to the Civil War effort?
- What was some of the ways that they helped in the military arena?

Assessment: Students will be evaluated on their participation during the power point as well as their completion of the map marking out Illinois military camps and prisoner of war camps.

Setting the Purpose: Students will assess their prior knowledge and then move on to find out more information about how Illinois participated in the Civil War. This knowledge will help them later in the unit as they create biological sketches of Civil War soldiers.

Procedure:

- Pass out blank copies of a KWL chart. Ask students to fill in what they know about Illinois' participation in the Civil War. Ask them to fill out what they would like to know about Illinois participation.
- Hand out a Power Point worksheet (attached) so that as teacher is presenting the introductory power point, students can fill in the blanks.
- On the second page of the power point work sheet will be a map of Illinois. Students should fill in the Military camps with a blue pencil or marker and prisoner of war camps with a red pencil or marker.
- Explain to students the project we will be working on the rest of the week and what is expected. Have copies of rubric on overhead so that students can see expectations.

Analysis of primary sources:

- Quotes from Confederate war POW's.
- Photographs of Civil War camps.

Ties to National Primary source: Various information about Civil War.

List of Materials and Resources:

- KWL Chart
- Power point worksheet
- Illinois map, blue pencils, red pencils

Attachments:

- KWL chart
- Power Point worksheet
- Illinois map
- Power point