## **Asian Country Projects**

**Target Group:** 6th Grade Geography Classes

**Objective:** Students will research an Asian country and present their findings to the class. **Goals of the Lesson:** 

- 1. Students will use a variety of sources to obtain a deeper understanding of the Asian culture.
  - 2. Students will become comfortable with public speaking.
  - 3. Students will use their creativity to make a creative and informative visual aid.

**Standards:** Social Studies Skills and Methods Benchmark A #1 and Benchmark B #2 **Project Summary:** Students are to research an Asian country. They will be given an assignment sheet with 20 items which must appear on their visual aid. Each student is required to make a presentation 4-6 minute presentation to the class about the country they have chosen. Presentation should include the following 3 questions.

- 1. What is a typical day like for a child in the 6th grade in your country?
- 2. If you could go there what is the first place you would visit and why?
- 3. What is the most interesting thing about your country?

Project is to be assigned at the beginning of the unit on Asia. (This project could also be complete during Asian History Month which is in May. The project due date will be at the end of the unit. Students will be required to submit a list of five references (which can include two websites, one encyclopedia) and answer the follow up questions in writing.

**Teacher Portion:** Teacher will introduce this project the second day of the unit. Teacher will only need one class period for this lesson. The first day of the unit will be spent covering a geography lesson on Asia.

- 1. Once students are settled introduce the project be reading the title. "Asian Country Projects".
- 2. Tell the students they are going to research a country found in Asia. Before they chose the country will watch a video about some of the beautiful and unique place found in Asia. The movie I have chosen to show is: Asia [videorecording] / series produced by Telecom Staff Inc., TV Asahi; presented by Pioneer Enter

[Long Beach, CA]: Pioneer Entertainment, c1999. 1 videocassette (ca. 60 min.): sd., col.; 1/2 in.

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- 3. After watch 20-25 minutes of the movie stop it and go over the assignment sheet for the project.
- 4. Allow time for a question and answer session.
- 5. Then one at a time allow students two pick there country.
- 6. Next go over the types of resources books that are available to students in the school and public library.
- 7. Finally go over the format for the written portion, reference list and how the projects will be grades.

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Name	 	
Country	 	

**Visual Aid-**The following information must be listed on you visual aids.

- 1. Official name of the Country
- 2. Population
- 3. Area in Miles
- 4. Location
- 5. Geographical Features
- 6. Languages Spoken
- 7. Religions Practiced
- 8. Capital City
- 9. Native Dress/Clothing
- 10. Money/ Currency
- 11. Climate
- 12. National Anthem
- 13. Type of Government
- 14. Map of Country
- 15. Animals native to that country
- 16. Plants native to or grown in that country
- 17. Music
- 18. Food
- 19. Art
- 20. Flag

**Written Portion-**You must answer the following questions in your presentation and on you visual aid.

- 1. What is a typical day like for a child in the 6th grade in your country?
- 2. If you could go there what is the first place you would visit and why?
- 3. What is the most interesting thing about your country?

**Research Information**- You must submit a list of five sources (which can include two websites, one encyclopedia).

## List of Asian Countries for Asian Country Projects

China

North Korea

South Korea

Japan

Taiwan

Thailand

Laos

Vietnam

Cambodia

Malaysia

Singapore

Indonesia

Philippines

Brunei

Mongolia

## **Resources for this Lesson**

- 1. www.enchantedlearning.com
- 2. En.wikipedia.org
- 3. <u>Asia [videorecording] / series produced by Telecom Staff Inc., TV Asahi ; presented by Pioneer Enter</u>

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