



## Increasing Literacy through History Learning

Correlates to Segregation History Lesson Plans

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### Pre-Unit Lesson: Study of Africa

#### Literacy Activities in the Lesson:

1. Graphic organizer: KWL chart.
2. Guided reading or Read Aloud: **Folktales**.
3. Read Aloud: **The First People Were Probably Africans**.

### Pre-Unit Lesson: The Underground Railroad

#### Literacy Activities in the Lesson:

1. Read Aloud: **Slavery**.
2. Read Aloud: **The Underground Railroad**.
3. Read Aloud: **If You Traveled on the Underground Railroad**.
4. Read Aloud: **Follow The Drinking Gourd**.
5. Read Aloud: **Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt**.
6. Comprehension strategy: Questioning.

### Activity 1: The Civil War

#### Literacy Activities in the Lesson:

1. Read Aloud: **Pink and Say**.
2. Sequencing: Timeline.



**Literacy Activities incorporated by BHH pilot teachers, in addition to those in the original BHH lesson.**

- ❖ Comprehension strategy: Questioning while reading (before, during, and after).

## **Activity 2: The U.S. Constitution**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Read/Think Aloud: What Is the Constitution?
2. Analyze the Constitution as a written document.

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- ❖ Graphic organizer: The branches of government.

## **Activity 3: The 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Read Aloud: The Wagon.
2. Vocabulary: Amendment and the definition.

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- ❖ Comprehension strategy: Questioning (before, during, and after reading).

## **Activity 4: Prejudice**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Vocabulary: Prejudice.
2. Read Aloud: The Other Side.
3. Comprehension strategy: Questioning after reading.



## Activity 5: Prejudice against African Americans

### Literacy Activities in the Lesson:

1. Graphic organizer: KWL chart.
2. Analyze historical photos.
3. Oral Speaking: role playing.
4. Read Aloud: **Working Cotton**.

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- ❖ Vocabulary: Sharecropping.
- ❖ Reading comprehension strategy: Questioning (before, during, and after) **Working Cotton**.

## Extension for Activity 5: The Negro League

### Literacy Activities in the lesson

1. Graphic organizer: KWL chart.
2. Read Aloud: **The Batboy and His Violin**.
3. Read Aloud: **The Picture Book of Jackie Robinson**.
4. Graphic organizer, Venn diagram: Compare **The Batboy and His Violin** and **The Picture Book of Jackie Robinson**.
5. Comprehension strategies, Questioning and Inferring.

## Activity 6: African American People Resisted Segregation.

### Literacy Activities in the Lesson:

1. Read Aloud: **White Socks Only**.
2. Read Aloud: **One More River To Cross**.
3. Guided Reading/Cooperative Learning Groups: Read, research, and write a mini-biography summary.



4. Oral Speaking: Student presentations to class about their biography.

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See *One more River to Cross* extension lesson plan on the BHH website.

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- ❖ Read Aloud.
- ❖ Comprehension strategy.
- ❖ Connecting to Schema (text to text).

### **Extension for Activity 6: Overcoming Segregation.**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Independent reading: Students' book of choice.
2. Research and writing: a biographical paragraph.

### **Activity 7: African American people during the segregation years, 1865-1950.**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Vocabulary: Other story of segregation, the history of segregation.
2. Analyze historical photos to retell a story.
3. Read Aloud: **Mama Dear's Apron**.
4. Read Aloud: **Langston Hughes: American Poet**.

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- ❖ Comprehension Strategy: Questioning of **Mama Dear's Aprons** and **Langston Hughes** (before, during, and after reading).

### **Activity 8: Review and Conclusion**

**Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Graphic organizer: KWL chart.



2. Graphic organizer: mind map (use of literature books throughout the unit).
3. Synthesizing and writing: Declaration of Human Rights.
4. Read Aloud: **Uncle Jed's Barbershop**.
5. Comprehension strategy: Questioning (before, during, and after reading).

### **Extension Activity: The Addy Book Series.**

#### **Literacy Activities in the Lesson:**

1. Read Aloud: All **Addy** books.
2. Vocabulary development.
3. Comprehension strategies: Questioning, Inferring, Visualizing.
4. Summarization: Writing summaries of each book.