



On Vacation

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Grade: 5

Time: 40 Minutes

Geographic Theme

Location

Purpose

Locating cities in Florida using latitude and longitude, measure mileage from Tallahassee, history of city, attractions in the city, and the climate of the city, write a commercial for the Tourist Department for the city.

Objective

State objective 1.02. The students will gather and interpret data using special purpose maps.

Materials

- Map of Florida
- Tourbook of Florida
- Ruled paper
- Pencil
- Drawing Paper
- Colored markers
- Paper with name of song

Procedures

1. **Initiating activity**-Teacher will disperse papers with song title. Students hum song to locate other members of their group.
2. **Strategies**-Teacher will give each group a set of latitude and longitude points, map of State of Florida, and a Tourbook of Florida. Using the map, students will locate the city, find the shortest route by car from Tallahassee, find how or why the city was settled, name five attractions in the city, and state what type of clothing is needed in July. Using papers, pencil, and markers the students will write a 30 second commercial and draw a picture to depict the city.
3. **Culminating Activities**-Students will present their commercials.

Evaluation

The evaluation will be taken from the knowledge of the city presented in the commercial.

National Geography Standards

- 1: How to use maps and other geographic representations, tools, and technologies to acquire, process, and report information.
- 12: The processes, patterns, and functions of human settlement.
- 17: How to apply geography to interpret the past.

Additional Latitude and Longitude for cities in Florida:

- Ft. Meyers- 26.36N, 81.45W
- Jacksonville- 30.20N, 81.40W
- Miami- 25.45N, 80.11W
- Ocala- 29.11N, 82.19W
- Orlando- 28.32N, 81.22W
- Pensacola- 30.25N, 81.21W
- St. Augustine- 29.53N, 81.21W

A few suggested books for fifth graders to read about Florida:

- *Henry Flagler*
- *Henry Plant*
- *William Chipley*
- *Don Vicente Martinez Ybor*
- *Mary McLeod Bethune*
- *Walt Disney*
- *Strawberry Girl*
- *The Yearling*
- *Cross Creek*

Art:

- *The Gulf Stream and the Sea* by Winslow Homer
- Any of Robert Butler's paintings

Architecture:

- Florida Southern College- Frank Lloyd Wright



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