Program Name

Columbus City Schools

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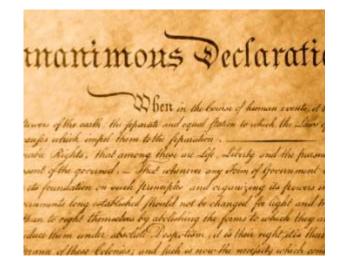
Date(s) Used	June 2012
Civics Category	III. U.S. History and Government and Citizenship Preparation
Civics Objective	2. Government and Law-Identify people and events in local, state and/or federal history
Time Frame to Complete Lesson	1 ½ hours
EFL(s)	Levels 2 and 3
Standard(s)	To read with understanding To convey ideas in writing
Benchmark(s)	L2.1 L21,L2.5,L3.1,L3.4,L3.5,R2.2,R2.4,R2.5,R3.2,R3.4,R3 .5,S2.1,S2.3,S2.4,S2.5,S3.1,S3.3,S3.4,W2.1,W2.4, W3.2,W3.3,W3.4,W3.5,W3.6
Materials	<u>www.elcivics.com</u> Fourth of July Reading, Worksheet, Word Search
Activities	 Introduce vocabulary words Read story about Independence Day Worksheet-Answer true/false questions, complete the sentences, correct the sentences Go over answers with class. Word Search using vocabulary words
Assessment/ Evidence	Teacher observation of students' comprehension based on responses to questions on worksheet
Reflection	The students liked this lesson. They enjoy learning about U.S. history. They were very interested in this topic and asked a lot of questions.



Independence Day in the United States is July 4th. It is a federal holiday. Schools, banks, post offices, and government offices are closed on the Fourth of July. The Fourth of July is one of our most important national holidays because it celebrates America's independence from England. Americans declared independence from England on July 4, 1776. Thomas Jefferson was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence. *(3 pages)*



- Independence Day is on July 4th.
- It is also called the Fourth of July.



Independence Day is an important day because it is the day the American colonies declared their independence from Britain.



- Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence.
- He became the third president of the United States.



 There are parades on the Fourth of July in many cities.



- Hot dogs and hamburger are popular foods on the Fourth of July.
- Many people barbecue h dogs and hamburgers in backyards.



- This is a fireworks stand.
- People buy fireworks for the Fourth of July.
- It is not legal to use fireworks in some cities.



- These people are watching fireworks.
- Happy Fourth of July!

A. Circle true or false after each sentence.

1. July 4 th is Independence Day in the United States.	True	False
2. Banks and post offices are open on July 4 th .	True	False
3. George Washington wrote the Declaration of		
Independence.	True	False
4. People watch fireworks on July 4 th .	True	False
5. Fireworks are not legal in some cities.	True	False

B. Choose one of the following words to complete each sentence.

Independence DayfireworksparadesDeclaration of Independencecities

- 1. Many people watch ______ on July 4th.
- 2. Thomas Jefferson wrote the _____.
- 3. Fireworks are not legal in many _____
- 4.
 _______ is on July 4th.

 5.
 Many cities have ______ on July 4th.
- C. Put the words in the correct order. Write them on the lines.
 - 1. on/July 4th/is/Independence Day
 - 2. Declaration of Independence/wrote/Thomas Jefferson/the
 - 3. fireworks/watch/July 4th/Many people/on
 - 4. some cities/use fireworks/in/not legal/It is/to

Independence Day Word Search

BLUE	URLWZTOGBT
CONGRESS	NGUAKINGSP
ENGLAND	IMKRSETATS
FIREWORKS	TAXESWYLUJ
FLAG	EMODEERFMI
FREEDOM	DFYTREBIL L
JULY	AWENGLANDU
LIBERTY	RLLZNWHITE
PARADE	ASKRO WERIF
RED	PJRUC QLNLB
STATES	LYIRMGOSCU
TAXES	
UNITED	
WAR	
WHITE	