

Day One: Introduction to Black Explorers



The first day provides an overview of Black explorers that have impacted Oregon and its history. This lesson is a way of introducing students to the idea that explorers can be different from what people have traditionally thought of when they think of explorers.

Essential Questions

- ❖ How have Black people helped explore Oregon and the Pacific Northwest?
- ❖ What is Marcus Lopeus' significance in Oregon history?
- ❖ Why are journals valuable sources for learning about the past?

Materials

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anticipatory Slides | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marcus Lopeus slides |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "Black Explorers" video
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l6FBilPflmA&ab_channel=BlackHistoryinTwoMinutesorSo) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Haswell's Journal Entry |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "Black People Were Explorers" video
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ItlPeEWxcrA&ab_channel=TheDailyShow) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Graphic Organizer |

Procedure

10 Mins | Anticipatory Slides on Black Explorers

Review the slides with students of seeing Black explorers

Questions to ask students:

- What countries do you think these explorers came from?
- How do you think that their accomplishments have impacted the world?
- What do you think were some barriers they overcame?

5 mins | Watch Video "Black Explorers" or "CP Time - Black People Were Explorers, Too | The Daily Show"

7 mins | Black Explorer #1 Marcus Lopeus Slides

Show students the slides and have them complete their graphic organizer for the explorer "Marcus Lopeus"

20 mins| Read Haswell's Journal Entry

7 mins | Add more notes from their reading into their graphic organizer

5 mins | Exit Ticket

Have students respond to the question:

- What is the significance of Marcus Lopeus?
- Do you believe that the captain valued Marcus Lopeus as a person?