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Subject Area: U.S. History Grade/level: 7<sup>th</sup> grade



## Adventure of the American Mind Northern Virginia FCPS – Virginia and U. S. History Lesson Plan

Era	Era 5 World War II			
Topic	Women's contribution to the war effort on the homefront			
Lesson Title	Rosie the Riveter			
Instructional Time	One 90 minute instructional period			
Essential Learning What is the concept to be learned? What is the big picture?	<ul> <li>As a result of this lesson, students will know:</li> <li>Women's roles changed during WWII</li> <li>Women played a vital role in the War effort</li> </ul>			
SBI Objectives POS/SOL by number and descriptor.	Virginia Standard USII.6c The student will demonstrate knowledge of the major causes and effects of American involvement in World War II by describing the impact of World War II on the homefront.			
Assessment How will you know that the lesson was successful? Describe what type of student assessments you will use to evaluate understanding. Attach a copy of student instructions or assessment instrument.	Students will analyze copies of the photos of working women then write an analysis of the photo. Students' analysis will include what the woman/women are doing; how this "job" contributed to the war effort; and why they feel the contribution by women during WWII had a lasting effect on the American attitude regarding the World War II era women. Students will be assessed on both their oral and written response using the U.S. National Archives & Records Administration Picture Analysis Worksheet.			

## Procedure Describe step by step procedure. Include opener, teacher presentation and student activities.

1. Ask students to view together the painting by Norman Rockwell of Rosie the Riveter using the website:

http://www.rosietheriveter.org/painting.htm
Explain that this was a real woman, but the
young lady's image was changed from reality to
the more muscular image you see in the painting
also that the painting shows "Rosie" with her
foot on an image of Hitler's Mein Kampf. Point
out that Rosie also has painted fingernails and
lipstick. Ask students to speculate why Rockwell
would have done this? After receiving student
responses, through discussion the conclusion
should be that this was to show American
strength and resolve also Women's ability to do
difficult jobs without losing their image as
women.

2. Explain to students that while the image of "Rosie" done by Norman Rockwell is a fictionalized image, there are numerous pictures of real women doing real jobs having a real effect on the outcome of the war. These images may be used from the Library of Congress website:

http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/126\_rosi.html.

3. Place students into groups of four. Give students one of the pictures obtained from the website and one of the picture analysis handouts. This handout can be obtained at the National Achieves website:

http://www.archives.gov/digital\_classroom/lessons/anal
ysis\_worksheets/photo.html

Ask students to complete the worksheet using the photograph.

4. Explain to students that they will now use their photo analysis worksheet to describe what the woman/women are doing in the photo; how this job contributed to the war effort; and how the women in the photograph would be a representation of the symbolic Rosie in Norman

Rockwell's painting. Students will then prepare a written analysis to present to the class. Provide students with the rubric to ensure understanding of the criteria of the presentation. 5. Allow students to discuss the pictures and prepare their analysis. The teacher should monitor group discussions to provide guidance and answer questions. 6. Students will then present their analysis to the class and turn in their written analysis to the teacher. Internet picture of Norman Rockwell's painting Materials/Resour "Rosie the Riveter" ces http://www.rosietheriveter.org/painting.htm Library of Congress pictures of actual working women during WWII http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/126\_rosi.html **Photo Analysis Worksheet** http://www.archives.gov/digital\_classroom/lessons/anal ysis\_worksheets/photo.html Differentiation *Include strategies for* Some students may need a list of specific items in re-teaching and special the painting and pictures which would assist populations such as GT, them in making the connection between the **ESOL** and special pictures and the more abstract connections they education. would be required to make between the painting and the actual pictures. G.T. students could use the role of the historian to take the analysis a step further to do research about the women in the picture. Students could then connect the more general connections between women and the war effort to illustrate specific cases of women and their documented contribution to the successful outcome of World War II.

## Reading - Analyzing Information : AAMVA-Rosie The Riveter Photo Analysis

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CATEGORY	4 Exceeds Standards	3 Meets Standards	2 Approaching Standards	1 Below Standards
Identifies important	Student lists all the	The student lists all	The student lists all	The student cannot
information	main points of the	the main points,	but one of the main	important
illioilliation	article without	but uses the article	points, using the	information with
	having the article in	for reference.	article for	accuracy.
	front of him/her.		reference. S/he	,
			does not highlight	
			any unimportant	
			points.	
Identifies details	Student recalls	Student recalls	Student is able to	Student cannot
	several details for	several details for	locate most of the	locate details with
	each main point	each main point, but needs to refer	details when	accuracy.
	without referring to the article.	to the article,	looking at the article.	
	tile article.	occasionally.	article.	
Relates Graphics to	Student accurately	Student accurately	Student accurately	Student has
Text	explains how each	explains how each	explains how some	difficulty relating
	graphic/diagram is	graphic/diagram is	of the diagrams are	graphics and
	related to the text,	related to the text.	related to the text.	diagrams to the
	and accurately			text.
	determines whether			
	each graphic/diagram			
	agrees with the			
	information in the			
	text.			
Summarization	Student uses only	Student uses	Student	Student has great
	1-3 sentences to	several sentences	summarizes most	difficulty
	describe clearly	to accurately	of the article	summarizing the
	what the article is	describe what the	accurately, but has	article.
	about.	article is about.	some slight	
			misunderstanding.	

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