

**A LESSON PLAN**  
**Elementary level**

**GEOGRAPHY: North of Russia – National diversity: Yakutia**

<b>Objectives</b>	<p>Students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Introduce students to general information about Russian culture and then about Yakut Culture</li> <li>❖ Allow students to learn about Yakut names (Сардаана – flower, Айыына - angel, Сахая - Sakha, Туйаара- singer, Нюргун - brave, Сарыал – morning red sky и др)</li> <li>❖ Create an appreciation for Yakut Culture (using photos)</li> <li>❖ Show a presentation for Students to see what Yakut culture is actually like</li> <li>❖ Develop student appreciation toward national diversity</li> </ul> <p>Each Student will individually create a picture about Yakutia by using Pixenate program.</p>
<b>Learning Environment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Classroom</li> </ul>
<b>Students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Elementary Students</li> </ul>
<b>ISTE/NETS Standards</b>	<p>1. Facilitate and Inspire Student Learning and Creativity Teachers use their knowledge of subject matter, teaching, and learning, and technology to facilitate experiences that advance student learning, creativity, and innovation in both face-to-face and virtual environments.</p> <p>Teachers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ promote, support, and model creative and innovative thinking and inventiveness</li> <li>❖ engage students in exploring real-world issues and solving authentic problems using digital tools and resources</li> <li>❖ promote student reflection using collaborative tools to reveal and clarify Students' conceptual understanding and thinking, planning and creative processes</li> <li>❖ model collaborative knowledge construction by engaging in learning with students, colleagues, and others in face-to-face and virtual environments</li> </ul>
<b>Materials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Computers in computer lab with Internet access</li> </ul>

	❖ Pixenate program
<b>Procedures</b>	<p>Anticipatory Set (10 Minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Speak Yakut using phrases on worksheet.</li> <li>- Good Morning (Доробо!)</li> <li>- How are you? What news? (Кэпсиэ!)</li> <li>❖ Explain where those words came from and ask students to repeat after you</li> <li>❖ Ask the students what they know about Yakutia</li> </ul>
<b>Applications</b>	<p>(15 Minutes)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Students will learn how to use Pixenate program with the help of their teacher and instructions.</li> <li>2. Then each Student will create a picture of Yakutia</li> <li>3. Upload a file – a map of Yakutia</li> <li>4. Edit using 18 tools (8 of which are initially hidden under the link Show fun effects)</li> <li>5. Use fun effects: to show the severe climate of Yakut winter – 50C. Use: Snow and Text – write short words about your impressions of a republic. Mention: Capital, Language, Area, Population\national diversity, flag</li> <li>6. Save your picture to disk or to your flickr account or get a URL for it via Webshots for use your blog or MySpace page</li> <li>7. After each Student has created his own picture, all Pixenate pictures will be evaluated by 50 points.</li> </ol>
<b>Evaluation</b>	❖ Closure (5 Minutes)

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