Subject: Elementary Education

Topic: Developing Lesson Plans and Instructional Materials for Elementary Students

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<th>Overview:</th>
<th>Students will develop lesson plans with accompanying instructional materials for a unit on a subject of their choice for elementary students.</th>
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| Objectives: | By the end of the project, students will be able to:  
  • Develop quality lesson plans  
  • Create useful instructional materials  
  • Use Group Table efficiently  
  • Collaborate efficiently with other members of a group |
| Materials: | - References for their subject and grade level  
  - Access to computers with word processing capabilities  
  - Group Table accounts |
| Procedures: | 1. Introduce and/or brainstorm potential subjects for the project. These could include: colors, the alphabet, the water cycle, the 50 states, shapes, etc.  
  2. Separate students into groups of four or five based on their subject interests.  
     a. Assign a group leader. This student will have the responsibility of creating and managing the Group Table Binder.  
  3. Explain criteria for the project:  
     a. One full unit of lesson plans for specific subject (no less than 6)  
     b. Instructional Materials for each lesson plan  
        1. Can be adapted from current materials, but creativity is strongly encouraged  
        2. Variety is essential; no two materials should be the same so as to accommodate all types of learners  
     c. Must follow state elementary standards  
  4. Groups will research information in textbooks. They may also talk to current teachers and elementary students.  
  5. Students will post research on Group Table in the Binder for their Group and collaborate with each other through the discussion and chat.  
  6. Once research has been completed, students will begin to develop lesson plans and their instructional materials.  
  7. Students will present final plans and materials to class, as well as submit works for their portfolios.  
  8. Have students evaluate the work of other groups in addition to teacher evaluation. |
| Evaluation: | Evaluate students' ability to work as a group, their knowledge of content when presenting, the quality of their lesson plans and materials, and the creativity of instructional materials. |