

Faces from the Places

Unit: Voyage to Albany: A Living History Program

Destination(s)

Albany Heritage Area Visitor's Center

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Clinton Ave. & Broadway

Albany, NY 12207

<http://www.albany.org/visitors-center/>

County

Albany

Grades

7th Grade

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Summary

Students will become familiar with the people of the past who occupied buildings throughout the City of Albany. Several of these buildings will be visited later in the unit, during a tour aboard the Albany Aqua Ducks.

Question

- Who were the early European settlers of Albany and who predated them?
- What impact did European exploration have on the settlement of Albany?

Content Understanding(s)

- First inhabitants of Albany.
- Early European exploration and colonization of the Albany area.

Concept Understanding(s)

The impact of early exploration on settlement patterns throughout the City of Albany.

Vocabulary

Iroquois Women ~ Half Moon boat/ Henry Hudson ~ Navigation ~ Dutch East India Company ~ Families of: Quackenbush, Ten Broeck, Schuyler, Livingston ~ Fugitives/Underground Railroad

Suggested Time Frame(s)

One 45 minute class period

Narrative

Students read Faces from the Places Along the Hudson River (see attachments). The booklet contains brief biographies of people who affected Albany's history. The final page of the booklet includes several fill-in-the-blank comprehension questions. If time permits, lead a discussion to find out what students thought about and learned from the reading.

Supplies Used

Faces from the Places Along the Hudson River booklet

What Should Students Know At The End of This Lesson

See essential questions and understandings

How do you assess student learning?

Answers to the comprehension questions and/or participation in class discussion