

SOLAR LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Age Level: Third Grade

Subject(s) Area: Art

Materials Needed: White pieces of paper, colored cotton balls

Standards:

Code and description:

- 3.1.2 Know the different techniques used to create visual art.
 - a. Explore different medium techniques to create artwork
 - b. Identify a variety of techniques (paper folding, cutting, gluing)
 - c. Demonstrate knowledge of given techniques in artwork

Objectives:

Students will be using different materials to create a picture while also using techniques that involve gluing.

Learning Activities:

Opening Element:

1. "Class, today we are going to make a picture but we are not going to use any pencils, pens, markers, crayons, or paint!
2. We are going to make our picture using cotton balls!

Instructional Methods:

1. "I have a bunch of different colored cotton balls. You get to take one of these white pieces of paper and a bag of cotton balls and make whatever kind of picture you want. This is an example of what you could make (Teacher puts up example of picture made out of cotton balls that she made and keeps it projected on the smart board)
2. "All you need to do is glue your cotton balls onto the paper like this," (Teacher will demonstrate), "and keep doing this over and over until you have finished your picture! When you are finished, raise your hand and I will come over and take a look! Does everybody understand what they need to do?" (Students place a thumbs up, sideways, or down)

Wrap-Up:

1. "Did everyone enjoy today's art project?" (Students state whether or not they enjoyed the project)

Assessment:

1. Teacher will ask students if they understand today's activity, students will use thumbs up, sideways thumb or thumbs down to show if they understood
2. Students will hand in their artwork

Reflection:

This lesson went well but also was kind of messy. The lesson was originally supposed to be a time for students to use a variety of materials (pipe cleaners and cotton balls) to create any kind of picture they wanted. I soon found out there was no way there was going to be enough materials for each student so I had to completely change my entire lesson on the spot! Since it was close to Saint Patrick's Day, I came up with doing a quick mini lesson of the colors of the rainbow and having the student create a rainbow out of pipe cleaners and use the colored cotton balls as the pot of gold, clouds and sky. I taught the students the order of the rainbow by using ROY G BIV. The students really enjoyed creating their pictures but when it came to gluing the items down, especially the pipe cleaners. I had to go around the room and figure out a method to get the pipe cleaners glued down. I eventually came up with the idea of using the white cotton balls on the end of the rainbow as the clouds to help keep the rainbow glued down. The students really did enjoy creating their rainbows and displaying them within the hallway for the other students within the school to see!

