South Carolina History
Lesson Title: South Carolina Landform Regions/Map Activity (Three 45 minute class periods)
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Grade Level: 8th Grade

Goal(s):

- The student will be able to identify the six landform regions in South Carolina.
- The students will be able to write a persuasive essay on why someone should visit a particular city in South Carolina.

Learning Objective(s):

The students will use their artistic skills to design a map that will identify the six landform regions found in South Carolina.

The students will use their research skills to find out information (population, climate, economics, and politics) about a city in South Carolina.

The students will write a persuasive essay giving three reasons why someone should visit the city.

South Carolina Standards:

8-1; 8-7

Materials/Resources:

The History of South Carolina in the Building of the Nation  Textbook (pages 4-9).

South Carolina: An Atlas

Landform Regions Worksheet

Rubric

Poster Board, Scissors, Glue, Tissue Paper, Internet, Pencil, Markers
Procedure for Teaching:

Day 1 and Day 2

1. As a class read pages 4-9 in the textbook.
2. Discuss each Natural Landform as a class (Use Landform Regions Map p. 6 of the Atlas.
3. Explain that the students will be designing a map in a group of two or three (let students chose their group).
4. Show the students an example of the map.
5. Divide students into groups and pass out supplies.
6. Explain to the students that they have two class periods to complete the map.
7. Collect maps at the end of Day 2

Day 3

1. Take the students to the computer lab.
2. Explain to the students that they will chose a city located in a certain landform and complete research on that particular city.
3. Distribute Landforms Regions Worksheet.
4. The students will complete the research and complete the worksheet and turn in the worksheet and persuasive essay on Day 5.

Student Product: Landform Regions Worksheet, Landforms Map, Persuasive Essay

Assessment: See Rubric

Reflection:
Landform Regions Worksheet

1. Name a South Carolina city that you would like to research.

2. What landform region is your city located?

3. What is the population of this city?

4. What percentage of the population is male and what percentage is female?
   
   ____% male   ____% female

5. What percentage of the city is:
   a. White/Non-Hispanic ____%  
   b. African-American ____%  
   c. Hispanic ____%  
   d. Other ____%

6. What is the average yearly temperature?

7. What is the average yearly rainfall?

8. Name three major industries found in this city.

9. Who is the mayor of the city?

10. Imagine that you are the head of the tourism bureau in the city that you chose to research. Knowing that tourism is one of the major economic activities in South Carolina, you need to encourage people from out of state to visit your city. Write a persuasive essay to the people of Indiana encouraging them to visit your city. You must give them three reasons why your city is the best to visit here in South Carolina.
# South Carolina Landform Regions and Map Activity

## Rubric

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<td>Complete worksheet using information found during research</td>
<td>Completed 8-9 questions with correct answers</td>
<td>Completed 6-7 questions with correct answers</td>
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<td>Map should include all 6 landforms, map key, and title</td>
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<td>The essay must be five paragraphs, include 3 reasons why a person should visit the South Carolina city, and have less than five, grammatical and spelling errors.</td>
<td>The essay has five paragraphs that include 3 reasons why a person should visit the South Carolina city, and has less than five, grammatical and spelling errors.</td>
<td>The essay has five paragraphs, that include 2 reasons why a person should visit the South Carolina city, and have less than five, grammatical and spelling errors.</td>
<td>The essay has 3-4 paragraphs that include 3 reasons why a person should visit the South Carolina city, and have 10 or more grammatical and spelling errors.</td>
<td>The essay has 2-3 paragraphs, includes 1 reason to visit the South Carolina city, and has more than 10 grammatical and spelling errors.</td>
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Chapter 1

Map Skills

Using the following map of South Carolina and the maps in your textbook, place numbers on the map to represent each region, city, river system, or landmark.

Regions
1. Coastal Zone
   1A Grand Strand
   1B Santee Delta
   1C Barrier Islands
2. Outer Coastal Zone (Lower Pine Belt)
3. Inner Coastal Zone (Upper Pine Belt)
4. Sandhill Region
5. Piedmont
6. Blue Ridge

River Systems
7. Savannah River
8. Santee River
9. Pee Dee River

Major Cities
10. Greenville
11. Columbia (capital)
12. Charleston
13. Spartanburg

Put a BIG STAR on the capital of South Carolina and an asterisk on your town.

Landmarks
14. Fall Line
15. Sassafras Mountain (highest peak)
16. Whitewater Falls (highest waterfall)
17. Big Swamp (Carolina Bay)