

Uniqueness of the Home

Summary

This lesson will help students recognize how homes can shape the way we live and how we live can shape our homes based on our wants and needs.

Main Core Tie

FCS Exploration

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Time Frame

1 class periods of 45 minutes each

Materials

Uniqueness of the Place you Live PowerPoint
Who Lives Here? Worksheet
Several Pictures of Interior Spaces

Instructional Procedures

Begin with a class discussion using the Uniqueness of the Place You Live PowerPoint. (The PowerPoint has some notes and topic suggestions in the notes section.)

Discuss with the students what makes their houses unique or what sets their house apart from the rest of the houses in their neighborhood or friends houses.

Discuss the quote by Winston Churchill: *"We shape our buildings, and then they shape us."* Because of the activities that we are involved in, we shape our houses a certain way. But, sometimes what kind of house we have can shape the person we are. Also, briefly discuss Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs. Talk about how our houses can fill all of our basic needs and wants.

Who Lives Here? Activity: Show a couple of images of celebrity homes from the PowerPoint. Talk about what type of activities or what needs and wants they can recognize in the rooms shown. Hand out the Who Lives Here? Worksheet and instruct students to get into partnerships. Each group will need a worksheet and a picture of a room to complete the questions on the worksheet. (Slides 8-31 from the PowerPoint can be printed off, or students may use pictures from magazines.)

Depending on time, the teacher may go over the pictures with the whole class and ask the students some of the questions for further discussion.

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