

Name: _____ Period _____ Cycle 1 Week 1-2

Utah Studies/ U.S. History Study Guide Exploration



Elements of Exploration

REQUIRES TAKING RISKS

CONFRONTS THE UNKNOWN

MAY RESULT IN NEW FINDINGS OR CONFIRM OLD
FINDINGS

REQUIRES LEADERSHIP

“To discover new countries, to climb the highest peaks, to travel through new areas of celestial space, to turn our searchlights upon domains of eternal darkness, that is what makes life worth living.”– Auguste Piccard

Essential Questions:

- *What makes Utah's geography unique?*
- *How does settlement affect geography in Utah?*
- *How did Utah's inhabitants/explorers use the land to their advantage?*
- *How do current events impact life in Utah?*

Overview

Throughout this cycle we will be exploring what makes Utah unique. When the first Native Americans came to the lands that make up Utah, what did they find? How did they make the land work in their favor? When the first white explorers arrived in the lands that make up Utah, did they find the same plants and animals that the Native Americans found and used? This cycle will allow you to explore the different lands of Utah and how the land is found today in many current events taking place in our state. We will end the cycle with a project: *My Utah Album & accompanying essay* about the varied landscapes and uses of the land throughout Utah. Along the way you will have the chance to listen to music by the Okee Dokee Brothers, sketch native Utah plants & animals, and listen to Wild About Utah podcasts from Utah Public Radio.

7th graders will also be introduced to their **Utah History Day** project that is due in February 2016. Watch for more information regarding this new opportunity!

