

Lesson Plan: Texas Landscape

The People of The Grass Houses/ The Wichita Indians

Elementary 3rd-5th

3 Sessions (about 40 minutes per session)

Media Type: Drawing

Subject Integration: Art, Social Studies

Description of the activity/workshop: Learning about The People of The Grass Houses and relating to their early life; Looking closely at the detail of lines and shapes in art through drawing

Why am I teaching this: *Arts Integration Thread* (to catalyze the learning of content outside of art; *Art Skills Development Thread* (to deepen the development of art making skills)

Materials: Watercolor paper/multimedia paper, pencils, black crayons, watercolors, brushes, colored pencils, oil pastels

TEKS: Art: 1:A, B 2:A, B, C 3:A, B, D 4:A, B, C

Focus Question: What does the landscape look like around The Wichita Mountains?

Opening:

1. Allow students to google images for: Wichita Mountain Wildlife Refuge Landscapes

Activity 1:

2. Discuss the colors and lines of landscapes/sunsets.
3. Discuss the foreground, mid ground, and background of the landscapes/ sunsets

Activity 2:

4. Ask students to imagine a life without buildings, free and open to nature
5. Allow students to design or recreate a Texoma landscape using a foreground, mid ground, and background

Closing:

Share..... Reflect!!! Show artwork and have students discuss concept of openness in nature? What would see, hear smell if you lived in your picture?