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“Change Over Time: 1800’s-Current Era”

Grade Level: Kindergarten

Historical Understandings

Georgia Performance Standard: SSKH3 The student will correctly use words and phrases related to chronology and time to explain how things change.

- a. Now, long ago
- b. Before, after
- c. Morning, afternoon, night
- d. Today, tomorrow, yesterday
- e. First, last, next
- f. Day, week, month, year
- g. Past, present, future

Information Processing Skills

Goal: The student will be able to locate, analyze and synthesize information related to social studies topics and apply this information to solve problems/make decisions.

Introductory level:

1. compare and contrast
2. organize items chronologically
3. identify issues and/or problems and alternative solutions

The Big Idea: What are some things that have changed over time?

People’s clothing, tools, transportation and houses.

Present a picture of children in 1800’s. Ask students to tell about the picture.

Do the children look like children of today?

What are the children doing? Is it something children do today?

Are the children working or playing?

How are the children the same and how are they different from children today?

Show a picture of a house in 1800’s Georgia (Root House and others).

Do the houses look like houses of today?

How are they the same and different?

Have the students draw a picture of their house. Compare the houses to structures in 1800 and 1950. Discuss the differences.

Display objects from “long ago”, the 50”s, and current styles.

Discuss the uses of the objects and how they are the same or different. Draw pictures to show objects that might be in the “future”.

Display pictures of various types of vehicles from 1850, 1950 to present. Discuss changes, similarities and reasons for the changes (technology and development of transportation system). (Use of Railways in the past and use of railways in the present.)

Resources:

- Root House Living History Museum
- Atlanta History Center
- Marietta History Museum
- Locomotive Museum
- Vanishing Georgia archive:
http://dlg.galileo.usg.edu/vanga/html/vanga_homeframe_default.html
- United Streaming: Long Ago, Yesterday, Today
<http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com/search/assetDetail.cfm?guidAssetID=2df57695-104f-44aa-93b1-0a325de09218&tabDisplay=myContent>
- Houghton Mifflin Social Studies Georgia, Kindergarten Edition
- Interactive Field Trips to above mentioned "Resources" as funds allow.