



American 250 Teacher Symposium

Delaware Public Archives



Three Thoughts on the Lesson Plans

1. Literacy and Use of Primary Documents
2. Delaware History
3. National History is Local

Using the Archives

1. Pre Made lessons website
2. Primary Sources that you can turn into lessons: Set up PD and Primary source workshops
3. Content Knowledge: Tavern Talks & First Saturday
4. Outreach to schools: Guest Lectures



Professional Development at the Archives

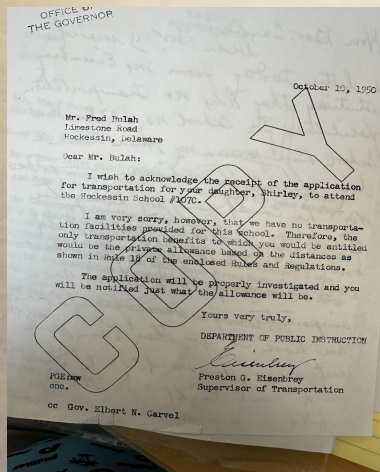


Content: Nothing ever happens in Delaware

Delaware Archives

Brown v. Board

Bulah/Belton letters



American Revolution

Loyalists

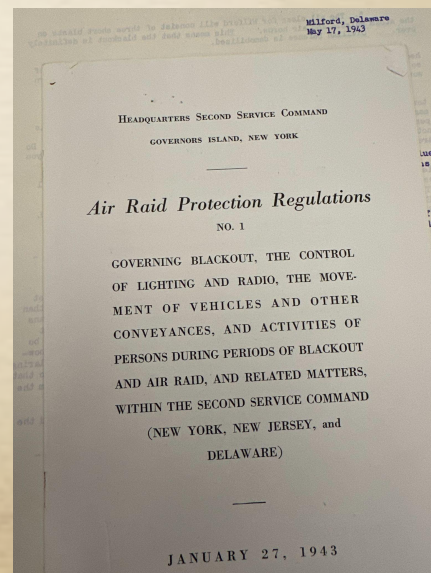
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James Sykes

A handwritten document, likely a court record or a letter, written in cursive. It mentions "Kent County to wit the Delaware State to John Bullin and Johnathan McNatt Greeting we command you and each of you that all _____ being laid aside and all never whatsoever caring you and each of you in your proper persons be and appear before our Justice of our Court of Oyer and Terminus and general goal delivery at our said Court to be held at Dover on Thursday the ninth day of this instance May to testify and say the truth and give evidence in behalf of the Delaware State against Cheney Clow on a charge of murder of Joseph Moore and this you and each of you ar3 in no wise to omit on Penalty of one hundred pounds for each of you. Witness William Killen Esquire Chief Justice of our said Court at Dover on the seventh day of May in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty three." The document is signed "James Sykes".

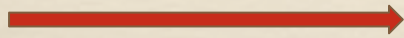
World War II

Air Raid Orders



Tips for using

1. Use scan feature in notes (Iphone)
2. Computer
3. Have an idea of what lessons you would like to enhance
4. Documents, Maps, Posters, Pictures, Executive Orders, Election Records



Suggested topics:
American Revolution
World War II
Slavery
Jim Crow
Crime
Industrialization
Geography
Political Science

Tips for Using pt. 2

- Warm ups, exit tickets, cfus
- Civics and Econ standards into history class
- Letters for pov
- Current is easier
- DESSA prep or other test prep
- Snipping tool
- Transcribe cursive

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In the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES for
the Counties of *New-castle, Kent and Suffex*, up-
on *Delaware*, at *New-castle*.

SATURDAY, July 27, 1776, P. M.

THE House taking into Consideration the Resolution of Congress of the 15th of May last for suppressing all Authority derived from the Crown of *Great-Britain* and for establishing a Government upon the Authority of the People, and the Resolution of this House of the 15th of June last, in consequence of the said Resolution of Congress, directing all Persons holding Offices Civil or Military to execute the same in the Name of this Government until a new One should be formed; and also the Declaration of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, absolving from all Allegiance to the *Brittish* Crown, and dissolving all Political Connection between them and *Great-Britain*, lately published and adopted by this Government as one of those States, are of Opinion, that some speedy Measures should be taken to form a regular Mode of Civil Polity, and this House not thinking themselves authorized by their Constituents to execute this important Work,

Do Resolve,

That it be recommended to the good People of the several Counties in this Government to chuse a suitable Number of Deputies to meet in Convention, there to ordain and declare the future Form of Government for this State.

Resolved also,

That it is the Opinion of this House, That the said Convention consist of the Number of Thirty Persons, that is to say, Ten for the County of *New-castle*, Ten for the County of *Kent*, and Ten for the County of *Suffex*; and that the Freemen of said Counties respectively, do meet on Monday the 10th Day of *August* next at the usual Places of Election for the County, and then and there proceed to elect the Number of Deputies aforesaid, according to the Directions of the several Laws of this Government for regulating Elections of the Members of Assembly, except as to the Choice of Inspectors, which shall be made on the Morning of the Day of Election by the Electors, Inhabitants of the respective Hundreds, in each County.

Resolved,

That every Elector shall (if required by one or more of the Judges of the Election) take the following Oath or Affirmation, to wit;

I *A. B.* will, to the utmost of my Power, support and maintain the Independence of this Government, as declared by the Honorable CONTINENTAL CONGRESS.

Resolved also,

That it is the Opinion of this House, That the Deputies when chosen as aforesaid, shall meet in Convention in the Town of *New-castle* on Tuesday the 27th Day of the same Month of *August*, and immediately proceed to form a Government, on the Authority of the People of this State, in such Sort as may be best adapted to their Preservation and Happiness.

Extract from the Minutes,

Published by Order,

JAMES BOOTH, Clk. of Assembly.

Question sets to try and
build analyzation skills.

Document from Delaware
Archives



Fair Housing Lesson

- Civic participation
- Letters, reports, newspaper articles
- Examples of forms of housing discrimination
- Scavenger hunt/hands on history



Analyzing Documents

HAPPY

Historical Context of the
Document

Audience of the Document

Purpose of the Document

Point of View of the Document

whY of the Document

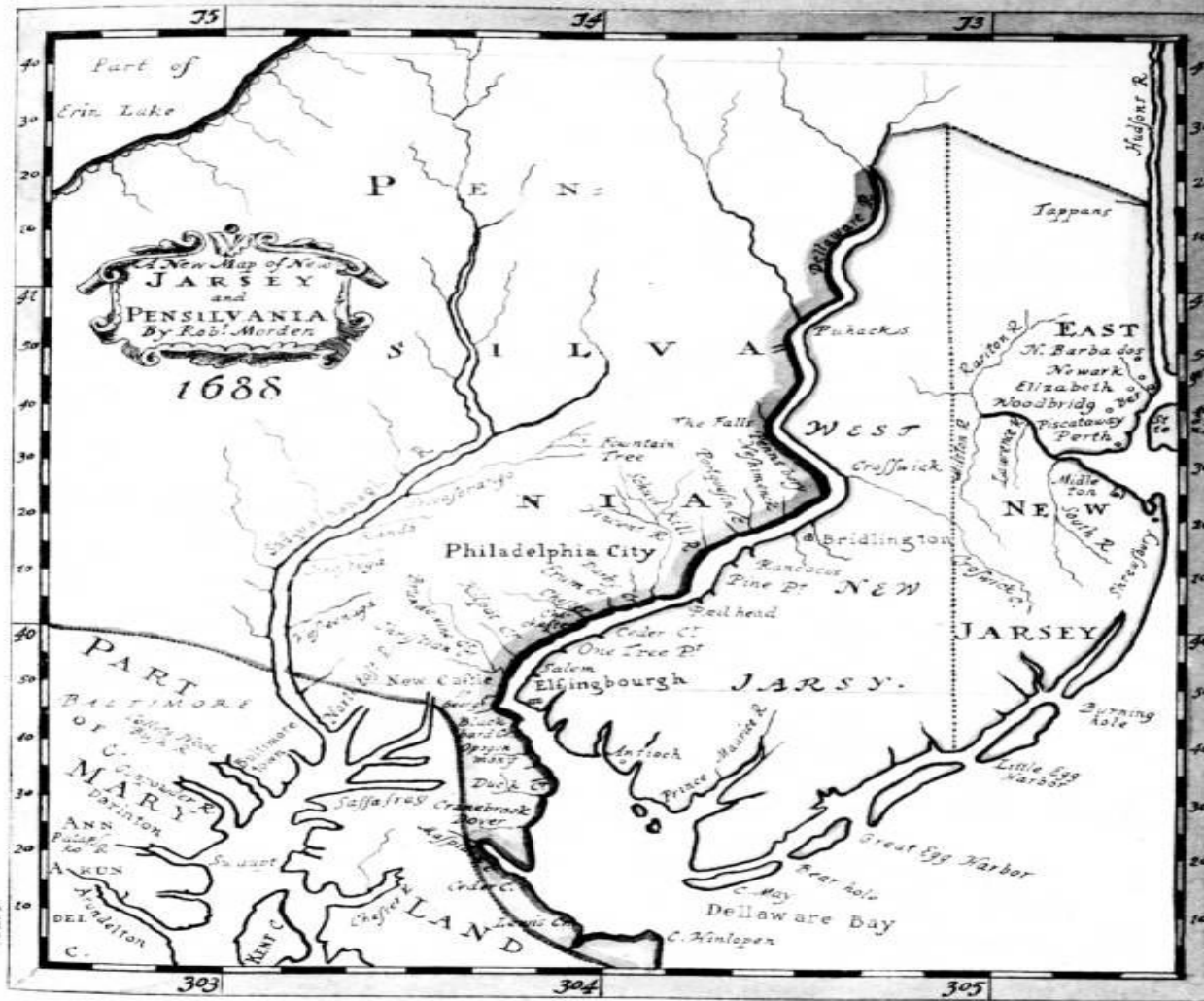
EXAMPLE:

Literacy using Historical Documents

This worksheet is designed to assist students with literacy and historical thinking skills.

Directions: Read the below document and highlight any word you do not understand. After you have read and highlighted look up the words you do not understand. Then answer the questions at the bottom. The focus of the questions are on HAPPY (Historical Context, Audience, Purpose, Point of View, & Why) (Document in Delaware Archives)

A picture is
worth a
thousand
words



Map from online
Delaware Archives

Video: “Your Chicken has been to War”



Smithsonian Learning Lab on Critical Reading

Is moving beyond just understanding the author's text to consider the choices the author makes to communicate their message...Reading critically does not simply mean being moved, affected, informed, influenced, and persuaded by a piece of writing. It refers to analyzing and understanding the overall composition of the writing as well as how the writing achieved its effect on the audience."

Elizabeth Browning, Karen Kyger, Kate Bombick

