



Battle of Honey Hill

Lesson Plan

Overview & Purpose

The study of the Battle of Honey Hill will allow students to gain knowledge of a significant military battle that took place in Ridgeland, SC (formerly known as Gopher Hill). While visiting the Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage they can complete activities that not only allow students to better understand this battle, but become familiar with terminology used during the Civil War and other events. After this study they will be able to lead discussions of things they observed during their visit of the museum's 3D exhibit of the Battle Honey Hill and compare the differences and similarities of the military during the Civil War and our military today.

Subject Area

Social Studies

Grade Level

Elementary

Education Standards

1. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the exploration and settlement of South Carolina.
2. The student will demonstrate an understanding of life in the antebellum period, the causes and effects of the Civil War, and the impact of Reconstruction in South Carolina.

Objectives

1. Summarize a significant battle
2. Distinguish between then and now
3. Use visual elements to compare and contrast
4. Find and describe location and condition of places
5. Identify cause and effect relationships
6. Identify personal connections to a place

Materials Needed

1. Printed Worksheets

Verification Questions

1. What was the name of the last significant military action?
2. The purpose of this battle was to capture _____.
3. Who won the Battle of Honey Hill?
4. What caused the Union to lose the battle?
5. What advantages did the South have in the Battle of Honey Hill? What were some disadvantages?
6. What are some of the differences between the soldiers of the Civil War and our soldiers today? What are some similarities?

Activities

- **KWL Chart-** *Allows students to recall previous knowledge and encourage ideas of things they would like to learn before visiting the museum and document what they learned after returning to the classroom.*
- **Word Scavenger Hunt and Word Search-** *Fun activity for students that can be completed (individually or in groups) during their visit to the museum. They will be able to recognize certain terms that are commonly used when learning about the Civil War and the Battle of Honey Hill.*
- **Then and Now Worksheets-** *provides visual recognition of items used by military “then and now” and provokes interest of their differences and similarities.*

