

Illinois History

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ABC

Illinois State History

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Preview of Main Idea

Illinois state standards require that 4th graders learn about Illinois History. The ABC book entitled L is for Lincoln is a great start in the quest for Illinois facts and knowledge.

Purpose

Students will listen to my reading of the book of

L is for Lincoln. They will begin to find the facts in the book to complete a list and find the cities' locations on an Illinois state map.

Grade Level 3 and 4

Connection to the National Geography Standards

Essential Elements of Geography:

World in Spatial Terms Standard #1

Places and Regions Standards #4 and #6

Physical Systems Standard #8

Environment and Society Standard #14

Themes in Geography

Location, Place, Human Environment Interaction, Regions, Movement

Illinois State Standards

14D2, 16A2b, 16C2b, 16D2, 16E2c, 16E2b, 17A2a, 17A2b, 17B2a, 17D2a, 18B2b

Connection to the Curriculum

Social Studies, Language Arts, Reading

Time 2 - 3 days

Materials

L is for Lincoln by Kathy-jo Wargin

ISBN 158360163

Illinois State Highway Map

Small circle stickers

Illinois State outline map

Construction Paper

Markers, colors

Scissors

Objectives

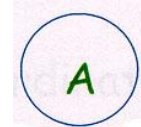
Students will be able to recall cities mentioned in the ABC book L is for Lincoln to complete an ABC list for Illinois.

Students will be able to locate the cities from their list on an Illinois State map.

Students will investigate the non-city components of the book and research how they belong in the book.

Procedures

1. Use stickers to locate each letter on the map. Each sticker should have the letter printed on it.



Example Arrowheads = A

The book tells us that arrowheads are found in Cahokia. The A sticker goes near Cahokia on the state map.

2. Students complete the rest of the map and stickers according to the information that was learned from the book. Their list should also match the book.
3. Students will compose an ABC book on Illinois Facts. It should include illustrations and statements to support the items in their books.

4. Students will locate their ABC items on an Illinois state map and give the coordinates for each.

Assessments

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Teacher will check ABC stickers with book.

Student created books will be checked for illustration, content, and support.

Students will trade books and check coordinates for the ABC items by locating them on their map with another sticker.

Websites

<http://alexia.lis.uiuc.edu/~sorensen/hist.html>

<http://www.nystromnet.com/Illinois.html>

<http://www.museum.state.il.us/>

<http://dnr.state.il.us/>

<http://www.50states.com/illinois.htm>

<http://www.enjoyillinois.com/>

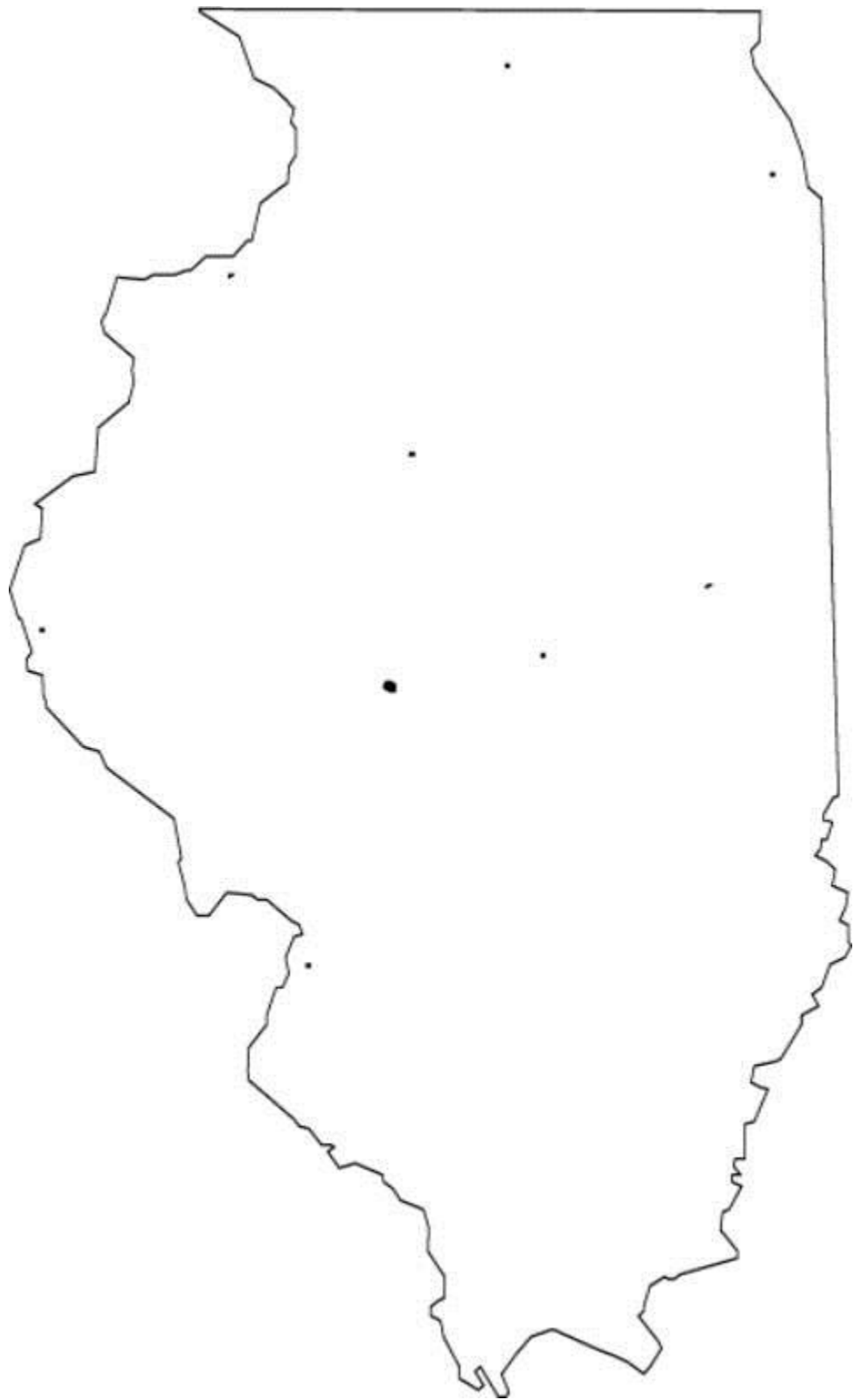
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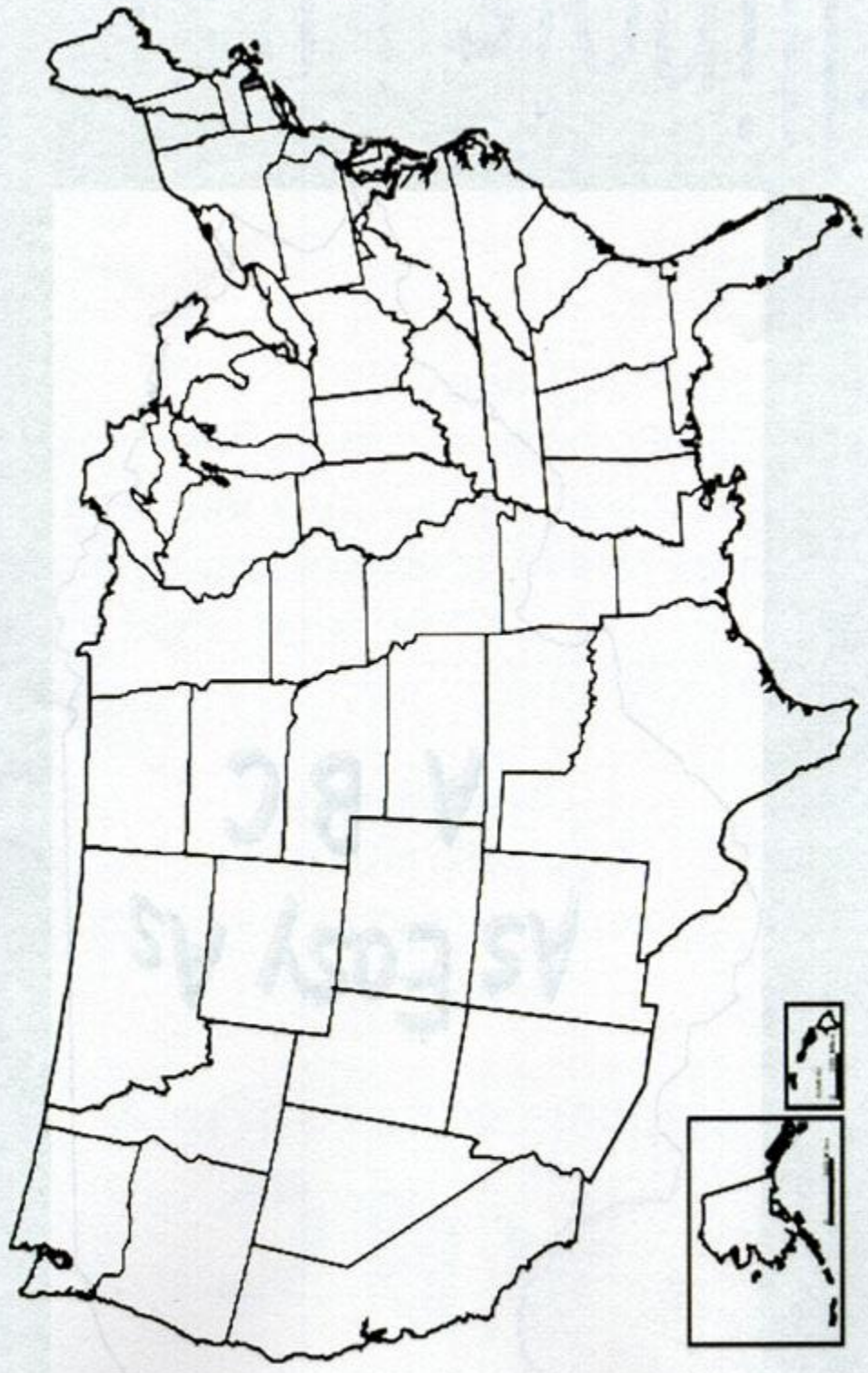
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Extensions

- Research one of the letter items for a report.
- Use the items from the book to create a TV ad for Illinois tourism.
- Draw a letter from a hat and find ten cities in Illinois that also begin with that letter.

- Do an *ABC* book on Illinois for one topic. Example; Birds, mammals, flowers....
- Write a poem about Illinois using the items from the book.
- Make a power point presentation on one of the items from their book.
- Create a collage of pictures from the items in the books to fill in an outline of Illinois.
- Write a jingle for the radio.





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