



FIFTH GRADE WEEKLY PLANS

MARCH 20-24, 2017

TEACHER: DR. FREEBERG

Virtue Honesty

Psalm: 15

Dear Parents,

The fifth grade did well on their first westward expansion test, and they made each other laugh with their original tall tales. In reading and history we will begin to look at America's Westward Expansion from the vantage point of Native American cultures in the West. In addition to reading assignments in the history textbook, we will be reading the novel *Sing Down the Moon* by Scott O'Dell. O'Dell's novel chronicles the impact of America's westward expansion on the life of one Navajo village in the Southwest. It is not a difficult book to read, so we will not be spending a lot of time discussing it in class. Students will practice writing plot summaries and will take several reading quizzes on the book. We will also read a collection of Native American legends. On Friday we will have the spelling quiz that we postponed last week. This week I hope to continue blocking our play on the stage. When I am working with a group of students on stage, the rest of the class may be completing academic work in a study hall. The quantity of homework in the next few weeks will be affected by the amount of time I need to work with each student on the stage. Students should all be off book at this point so that we can begin to focus on acting. Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Bruce Freeberg

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday: Reading Quiz on *Sing Down the Moon*, 1-4

Thursday: Reading Quiz on *Sing Down the Moon*, 5-9

Friday: Spelling Quiz

Monday:

Read *Sing Down the Moon*, chapters 1-4; Review for spelling quiz

Tuesday:

Read "Native Americans: Cultures and Conflicts," lessons 3 and 4, and complete reading questions;

Review for spelling quiz

Wednesday:

Read *Sing Down the Moon*, chapters 5-9; Review for spelling quiz

Thursday:

Read "Native Americans: Cultures and Conflicts," lesson 6 and complete reading questions; Read *Sing Down the Moon*, chapters 10-11; Final review for spelling quiz

Friday:

Read "Native Americans: Cultures and Conflicts," lesson 7 and complete reading questions; Read *Sing Down the Moon*, chapters 12-13

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