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Hurricane Dynamics: Data Literacy Cubes



Overview

This Lesson Plan provides maps, graphs, and data tables for use with the Data Literacy Cubes. Because it is a differentiated resource, it is appropriate for multiple grade bands.

Cross-Curricular Connections

National Geography Standards

How to use maps and other geographic representations, tools, and technologies to acquire,

process, and report information from a spatial perspective.

Materials Required



Refer to the <u>Data Literacy Cube Guide</u> for the cube template, questions sheets, question forms and optional team task roles.

- Cube template
- Selected question sheets for Google Forms
- 1 sheet of paper per student
- Pencil
- Graph (as a handout or projected on the screen)

Teacher Preparation:

- 1. Print copies of the cube on cardstock and cut out.
- 2. Assemble the cube with glue.
 - Consider laminating after you cut these out for multiple uses.
 - Gaming dice may be substituted for the cubes.
- 3. Also, print off copies of the differentiated Graph Cube Questions if you are not using the

Google Forms.

4. Distribute to students for group or independent work.

Technology Requirements

- Standalone Lesson (no technology required)
- One-to-One (tablet, laptop, or CPU)
- One-to-a-Group
- Teacher computer/projector only

Teacher Background Information

For more information about how to use the Data Literacy Cubes, visit our YouTube page and watch the <u>Data Literacy Cubes playlist</u> tutorials.

Prerequisites Student Knowledge

Familiarity with finding coordinates on a map

Procedure

Steps:

- 1. Distribute your Earth science Map, Graph, or Dataset to the group or groups of students as well as provide the data cube (or regular die).
- 2. Distribute the appropriate-leveled question sheets to each group or use the Google Forms.
- 3. **Optional:** Assign each student a role from the task card for each group.
- 4. Instruct the students to roll the cube once.
- 5. Answer one question found under the matching question on the Question Sheet. (If more room is needed, have students use a sheet of paper, labeling the question with the number and letter of the question.)
- 6. Repeat Steps 2 thru 4 until at least 4-6 are answered.
- 7. Have each group share their findings with another group (or with the class) after completing their question sheet.
- 8. Monitor student progress and assign new level sets as students reuse the cubes throughout the year.