

Lesson Plan

Tour of Memphis through Music

Summary

1. Subject(s): Music, History
2. Topic or Unit of Study: Memphis Music
3. Grade/Level: 6-12
4. Objective: Create an hour tour of Memphis Music history

901MusicED Tip: Memphis is a well-known music center and has been the home of several famous "sounds." One of the best-known places in the city is Beale Street, where W. C. Handy, the "father of the blues," wrote and played his music.

Time Allotment: at teacher and students discretion

Implementation

Learning Context

901MusicED Tip: Have your students learned everything they need to know in order to complete this lesson? This might be a good time to review some previous lessons so that they feel prepared to learn something exciting and new!

Procedure

- a. Create a Radio Show (1 hour) hosted by students
 - a. Tell a story through Memphis music
 - i. Based on interviews with community members
 - ii. Based on history segments from local TV, etc.
 - b. Valuing Memphis traditions
 - c. CONNECT music to Memphis history
 - d. CONNECT Memphis music to real life situations and events

Materials & Resources

901MusicED Tip: When choosing supplementary materials and resources for your lesson plan (books, videos, etc.), try to put yourself in the shoes of your students. Find resources that ENHANCE your lesson and make your instruction an inviting learning experience for your class!

a. Resources:

<https://www.amromusic.com/amro-blog/posts/memphis-music>

<https://choose901.com/10-memphis-facts-bet-didnt-know/>

<https://www.memphistravel.com/trip-ideas/legends>