

World of Wonder

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities

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Standards

- Current Events: Students will read the newspaper and discuss current military conflicts around the world
- Social Studies: Students will research and discuss the Napoleonic Code
- Social Studies: Students will research why Napoleon lost the Battle of Waterloo

Activities

1. Use the News: Are there any major battles currently occurring in the world? Read the newspaper to find out where military conflict is occurring. Where is it happening? Why did it start? Is there an end in sight? Who is likely to win? Why do you think so?
2. The French Revolution had just occurred when Napoleon came to power. This affected the laws Napoleon created called the Napoleonic Code. What was this code? How did the French Revolution influence its rules? Research and discuss how the Napoleonic Code came about.
3. Napoleon was obviously a great general. Why then did he lose the Battle at Waterloo? Here's an interesting account of what happened at Napoleon's ultimate defeat. http://www.napoleon-series.org/military/battles/hundred/c_chapter5.html Can you briefly summarize what finally caused the defeat?

World of Wonder meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade.