

World of Wonder

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities

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Standards

- Current Events: Students will write a tourism article about visiting Oregon.
- Social Studies: Students will read about how WWII came to Oregon.
- Social Studies: Students will research and report on the Oregon Indian Wars of the late 1800s.

Activities

1. Use the News: What is there to do and see in Oregon? Read the newspaper to find examples of tourism articles to show you how others have written them. Then research and report on tourist destinations in Oregon.
2. In 1942 Oregon became the only place in the continental United States that was bombed during WWII. Fortunately, no one was hurt or killed then. However, in 1945 a high-altitude Japanese balloon carrying an explosive landed in Oregon and killed several school children. Here is an account of these two events:
<http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/exhibits/ww2/threat/bombs.htm>
3. Once white pioneers, miners, and the military started moving into Oregon Indian territory, conflicts started to arise. Misinformation and retaliations on both sides prolonged the hostilities. Research and report on the Oregon Indian Wars to learn more about those tragic events.

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.