## Dream Vacation Project Based Learning

## $4^{\text {th }}, 5^{\text {th }}, 6^{\text {th }}$ Grade Print \& Google Slides



- Realistic learning situations
- Print \& Go, Low Prep

Track Your Budget
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Plan Your Itinerary
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Month: August


Book Your Transportation
ne of the first things you must do is book the transportation to your destination This well help you determine your budget for lodging and activities. Consider the best way to travel. You may want to do some initial research on costs and travel time by each mode of transportation before you purchase your tickets.

| Transportation Mode | Is this a reasonable way <br> to travel? | Estimated Cost |
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|  | (Car Rental + Fuel) <br> $\boxed{7} 700.00$ |  |

Car

Airplane

Train

Boat

Other
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Book Your Transportation
Which is the best mode of transportation to and from your destination? Why?
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Air plane


Will you need any other forms of transportation once you arrive at your destination (eeg, car rental; train, subway or boat tickets)? If so, research the cost of the additional transportation.
Yes, I will need to rent a car.
Meaningful practice of real-lif math, writing, social studies, research, and geometry skills.


My Travel Journal
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Now it is time to set off on y
Paste them in this scrapbook.
odging
Describe the place where you stayed.
we siayed at a beautiful hotel. It was located near the
amazing mountains.


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## FOR THE TIEACHIER

Dream Vacation is a project-based learning task that utilizes real-life math, social studies, geography, writing, and research skills. It is created for students in fourth through sixth grades. This project is open-ended and is easily adapted and differentiated to meet most students' levels.

- To increase rigor: Incorporate one or all of the challenges.
- To provide further support: Limit "research" travel websites to one or two websites. Students can use a website such as www.priceline.com or www.expedia.com to find all travel and lodging information. Students can also work in groups or pairs to plan their vacation.


## Directions:

I. Assign students to work alone, in pairs, or in small groups.
2. Preview the activity with your students.
3. Allow students class time to complete the activity. This should take one to two weeks (depending on the length of each class period).
4. Allow students the opportunity to complete extra challenge activities.
5. Have students complete the self-evaluation reflection and evaluation rubric.
6. Allow students the opportunity to share and present their completed projects.

## STANDARDS AIIGNMENI

## $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade Math

- 4.OA.A. 3 Solve multistep word problems with whole numbers and having whole-number answers using the four operations.
- 4. .NBT.A. 3 Use place value understanding to round multi-digit whole numbers to any place.
- 4.NBT.B. 4 Fluently add and subtract multi-digit whole numbers using the standard algorithm.
- 4.MD.A. 2 Us the four operations to solve world problems involving money.


## $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade Writing

- W.4. 7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
- W.4. 8 Gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.


## $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Writing

- W.5.7 Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
- W.5.8 Gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.


## $6^{\text {th }}$ Grade Writing

- W.6.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refusing the inquiry when appropriate.
- W.6.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources; assess the credibility of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others.


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You have been given a voucher to go on a vacation anywhere in the world! You have $\$ 4,000$ to take your dream vacation. You will have to budget properly for transportation, lodging, food, and entertainment. Here are your tasks:

- Read through the entire packet before beginning.
- Select your destination.
- Find your destination on a map.
- Apply for travel documents.
- Book your transportation and lodging.
- Budget for activities and sightseeing.
- Plan your dining.
- Purchase souvenirs.
- Create a travel scrapbook.
- Create a travel brochure.
- Present your trip to your class.
e. Complete the self-reflection and evaluation rubric.


## Where in the World Will You Go?

You have been given a voucher to go on a vacation anywhere in the world! You have $\$ 4,000$ to take your dream vacation. Think about locations you might like to visit. Consider the pros and cons of each location, keeping in mind you have a budget and you cant go over it.


| Location I'd Like to Go | Pros <br> (Benefits) | Cons <br> (Detriments) |  |
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## Select Your Destination

Here are some suggested websites for researching trip prices:

FLIGHTS \& TRANSPORTATION

## LODGING

www.priceline.com www.delta.com
www.expedia.com
www.tripadvisor.com


OTHER


## Destination Geography

On what continent is your destination?

In what country is your destination?

Mark your location on the world map. Then mark your destination. You can use this website to
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## Destination Climate and Weather

Weather is a short-term condition, while climate is the weather in a specific region over a long period of time. Research the climate and seasonal weather for your destination.

What is the climate like in this part of the world? (temperate, tropical, humid, etc.)

Does the weather stay the same for most of the year? Describe the weather during each season.


Taking the weather into consideration, during what time of year will you book your trip? Why?

## APPLICATION FOR A U.S. PASSPORT

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OMB CONTROL NO.: 1405-0004 EXPIRATION DATE: 4-30-2021 ESTIMATED BURDEN: 85 MIN

Attention: Read WARNING on page 1 of instructions Please select the document(s) for which you are applying: U.S. Passport Book $\square$ U.S. Passport Card $\square$ Both The U.S. passport card is not valid for intermational air travel. For more information see page 1 of instructions. $\square$ Regular Book (Standard) $\qquad$ Large Book (Non-Standard)
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1. Name Last
2. Mailing Address: Line 1: Street/RFD\#, P.O. Box, or URB.

Address Line 2: Clearly label Apartment, Company, Suite, Unit, Building, Floor, In Care Of or Attention if applicable. (e.g., In Care Of - Jane Doe, Apt \# 100)

City
State
Zip Code
Country, if outside the United States
9. List all other names you have used. (Examples: Birth Name, Maiden, Previous Marriage, Legal Name Change. Attach additional pages if needed)


## Book Your Transportation

Which is the best mode of transportation to and from your destination? Why?


Will you need any other forms of transportation once you arrive at your destination (e.g., car rental; train, subway or boat tickets)? If so, research the cost of the additional transportation.

## Track Your Budget

As you book your trip, it is important to keep track of your budget!

Total I have spent on travel and lodging:


Are you on track to stay on budget? If you are over, reflect on other areas of your trip you will need to cut back on.
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## Plan Your Itinerary

Now that you know what your sight has to offer, it is time to plan your schedule. Make a calendar of your vacation dates. Show your arrival and departure. Mark off the days and times you will be doing planned activities. Don't forget to leave time for leisure and exploring!


## Plan Dining Options

What will you do about meals on your vacation? Will you eat out for every meal? Will you shop for groceries when you arrive, to eat some meals in? Plan the meals you would like to eat in and out. Budget the approximate cost for each meal.

Meals I will eat in:

Meals I will eat out at a restaurant:

Budget for groceries:


Budget for each meal out:

number of meals out:


Total budget for food:

## Track Your Budget

As you book your trip, it is important to keep track of your budget!

Total I have spent on travel, lodging, entertainment, and food:


Are you on track to stay on budget? If you are over, reflect on what you can cut out to meet your budget.
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## Purchasing Souvenirs

Don't forget that you will want to bring home some souvenirs from your trip! Make a list of the people for whom you would like to purchase souvenirs. List the amount budgeted per person, and what you may want to purchase. Don't forget yourself!


## Travel Time!

Now it is time to set off on your journey! Take photos of each portion of your destination along the way. Paste them in this scrapbook.

## The Journey

Draw or glue a picture of your journey to the location. Write a caption for your photo.

## My Travel Journal

Now it is time to set off on your journey! Take photos of each portion of your destination along the way. Paste them in this scrapbook.

## Sightseeing!

Draw or glue a picture of the places you visited and the things you did. Write a caption for each photo.

## Travel Agent

You had an amazing time on your vacation. The Sightseeing Travel Agency wants to hire you to promote your location! Create a travel brochure convincing customers to travel to your destination. You may use pictures from your scrapbook.

## DIRECTIONS

I. Print the template on the next page or fold a piece of paper into three sections.
2. Fold your brochure along the lines to create three sections.
3. Create an eye-catching cover.
4. Highlight at lest three things to do or sights to see at the destination. Include short bullet points that explain the appeal of these activities or attractions. Be sure to include pictures, drawings, or photographs!


## Challenge \#1: Bring a Friend

Calculate the total cost of your trip if you had a friend join you. Remember, certain expenses such as transportation and leisure activities may double, but others such as lodging may not.

Total I have spent on travel, lodging, and entertainment:

Estimated cost for travel for two:

Estimated cost for lodging for two:

Estimated cost for entertainment for two:

## Challenge \#3: Write a Review

The Sightseeing Travel Agency has asked you to write a review about one of the sightseeing activities or restaurants you visited. Give the location a star rating, then write a review about your experience. Would you recommend this experience to other travelers? Why or why not?


## DREAM VACATION

Self Reflection: Write a reflection on your experience with this project. How did you feel about the math problems and activities? Explain what you found easy to do and any difficulties you had while working on this project. Did you enjoy this activity? Why or why not?


Rate this project

I am ready for something harder
It was just right
I found this very challenging

## Rubric

SELE-EVALUAIION RUBRIC: Highlight or shade the parts of the rubric that express how you rate yourself on this Project Based Learning Activity.

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| I felt very confident about the math in this project. | I felt pretty good about my ability to complete the math in this project. | I felt a lot of the math in this project was too hard for me to do alone. |
| I understood all of the math and did not need help to complete the problems. | I understand most of the math but needed a little help to solve some of the problems. | I understood some of the math but needed help to complete most of the problems. |
| I easily used many strategies to solve the math problems efficiently. | I needed some help to determine the best strategies for solving the math problems. | I had trouble understanding the best way to solve many of the math problems. |
| I feel I am ready for a harder math project. | I feel I would like to spend more time practicing similar math problems. | I feel I need assistance to work on similar math problems |

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