

Middle Grades



HELEN KELLER



VIRTUAL field trip



INTEGRATES READING SKILLS

Short reading
comprehension passages
integrate key vocabulary
and build background
knowledge.



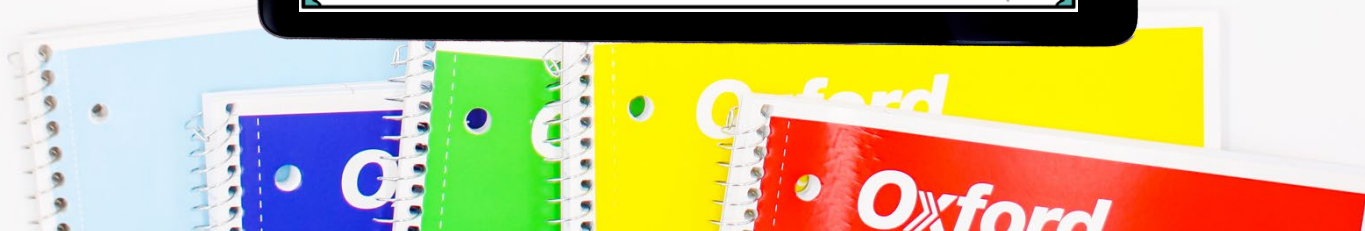
Who Was Helen Keller?

Helen Keller is remembered as a symbol of hope and courage. She was a woman who was both deaf and blind but learned to read, write, and become a successful author despite these challenges. She continues to inspire people to act with courage and to persevere when things get hard.



Helen Keller was so much more than her legacy recalls. She was a woman who stood up for the community and fought against inequality during a time when few people were willing to do so.

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What Does It Mean To Be Deafblind?

Being deaf means being unable to hear. Many people who are deaf use sign language to communicate and use their sight to read.

Being blind means being unable to see. Many people who are blind use their hearing and their voice to communicate and use their sense of touch to read.

"Deafblind" is a term used to describe being both blind and deaf. Helen Keller was deafblind, and so are many other people in the world.

Blindness, deafness, and deafblindness are all examples of disabilities. There are many kinds of disabilities and many people around the world who experience disabilities. Some people's disabilities are visible. Other people's disabilities are invisible.

Because this world was set up for people without disabilities, it can be hard for people with disabilities to do certain things. One example of this is that many buildings or structures do not have ramps for people who use wheelchairs. Another example is that most signs, books, and maps are not written in braille. This makes many parts of life inaccessible for people with disabilities. This is unfair and activists like Helen Keller fight against this.

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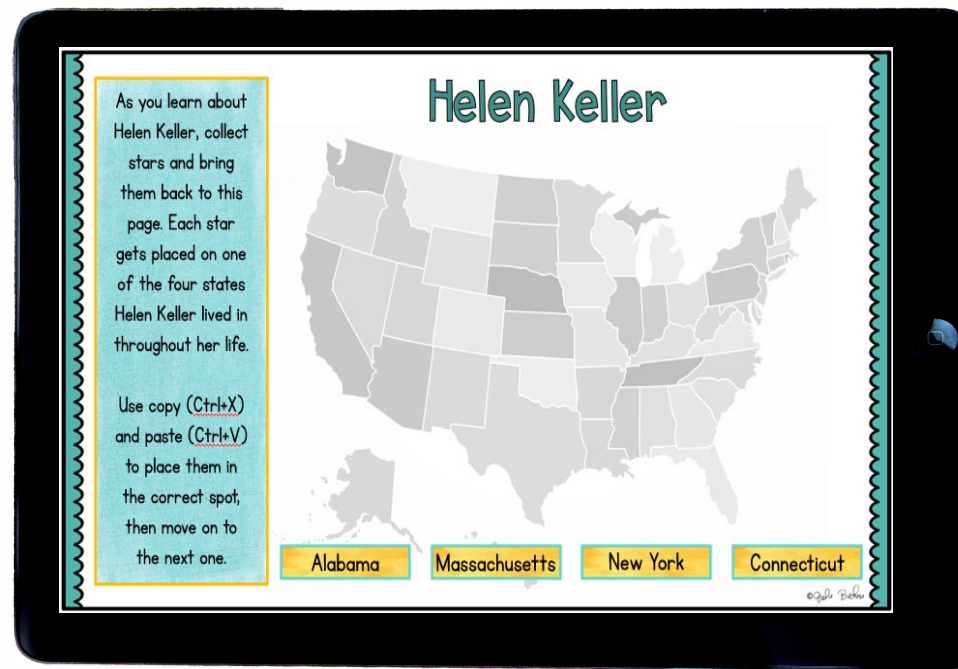
SOCIAL STUDIES

Develop a deeper understanding of being Deafblind by learning the story Helen Keller.



INTERACTIVE MAP

colorful, interactive movable
pieces that students can drag
and drop to solve problems,
making learning more engaging
and hands-on.




CRITICAL THINKING

Students dive deep into this engaging topic and learn to draw conclusions and make judgements.

Helen Keller's Watch

Watch the video about Helen Keller and the watch she used.



Reflect on Helen Keller's watch shown in the video. It was created especially for her, and it allowed her to tell time without being able to see or hear.

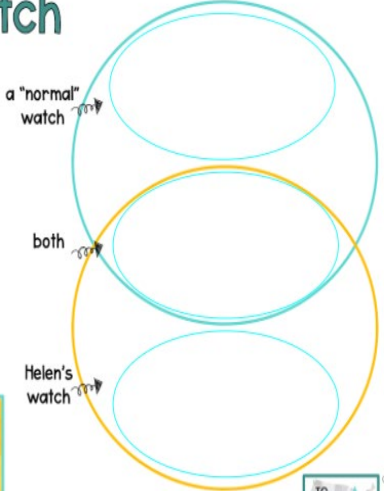
How was it different from a "normal" pocket watch?
How was it similar? Fill out the Venn Diagram.

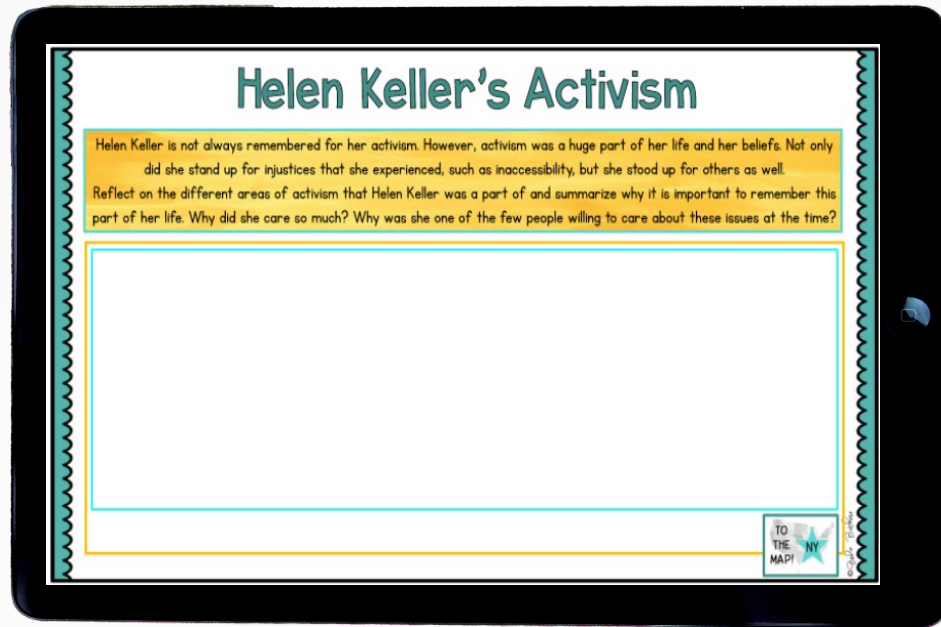
a "normal" watch

both

Helen's watch

TO THE MAP!

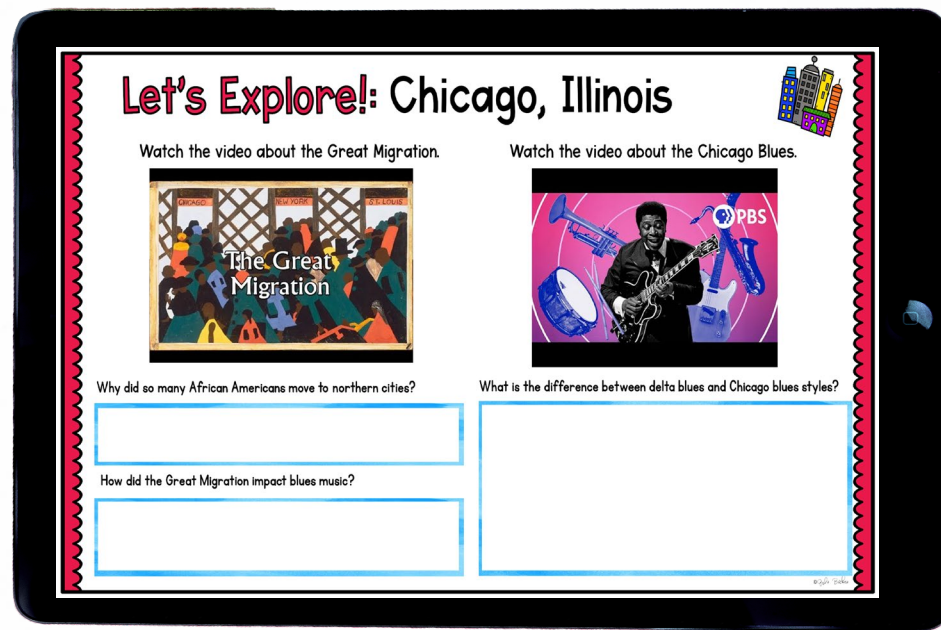




WRITING

Students write reflections,
using critical thinking skills.





ENGAGING & EDUCATIONAL MEDIA

Short videos and media make learning engaging and fun.



Suggested Uses

- Assign in Google Classroom or SeeSaw
- Whole Class Activity
- Small groups or center
- Early Finisher
- Incentive or Fun Friday

Google Slides and SeeSaw



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