

Nifty Fifty States Project

Program: Hyperstudio,
Web Publishing Software

Grade Levels 3-4



Description: Students will research topics of their assigned state and create a HyperStudio card communicating this information.

Procedures:

1. Students will be assigned to a state group and within their group be given one of the card assignments below.

Card 1	Card 2	Card 3	Card 4 (optional)
state seal, state flag, state motto, date of statehood	landforms , climate, natural resources	capitals/major cities, tourist attractions	symbols (fourth group only)

2.

3. Each student will research the information for their state and card assignment. using books and internet sources. Information will be recorded on a HyperStudio notes page.

mgoshko@darien61.org, jpena@darien61.org

4. Organize and transfer information on to the template page.
5. Using the template page each student creates ONE Hyperstudio card for their state topic.
6. Place student's FIRST NAME and last initial only on the card
7. Save the card as (state#- no space) in a class folder on the server.
(Arrange this with the lab teacher)

ISTE Technology Goals

- 1. Use input devices (e.g., mouse, keyboard, remote control) and output devices (e.g., monitor, printer) to successfully operate computers, VCRs, audiotapes, and other technologies.
- 2. Use a variety of media and technology resources for directed and independent learning activities.
- 5. Use technology tools (e.g., multimedia authoring, presentation, Web tools, digital cameras, scanners) for individual and collaborative writing, communication, and publishing activities to create knowledge products for audiences inside and outside the classroom.
- 7. Use telecommunications and online resources (e.g., e-mail, online discussions, Web environments) to participate in collaborative problem-solving activities for the purpose of developing solutions or products for audiences inside and outside the classroom.

Illinois State Goals

- *Language Arts Goal 1: Read with understanding and fluency.*
- *Language Arts Goal 3: Write to communicate for a variety of purposes.*
- *Language Arts Goal 5: Use the language arts to acquire, assess and communicate information*
- *Social Studies Goal 14: Understand political systems, with an emphasis on the United States.*
- *Social Studies Goal 17: Understand world geography and the effects of geography on society, with an emphasis on the United States.*