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EDEL 453: Teaching Elementary School Social Science

Nevada State College – Spring 2013

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|  | 1. Share an interesting quote and big idea from chapter 1 of “*Making Connections in Elementary and Middle School Social Studies”* (A. Johnson, 2010). |  |  | 11. Explain two visitation field trips you would bring to your students. |
|  | 2. Share and explain a video clip you would use in your classroom to support and enhance a social studies lesson. |  | 12. Explain two virtual field trips you would have your students participate in. |
|  | 3. Present your opinion about one of the hot topics in education today. |  | 13. Write a unit plan for economics. |
|  | 4. Explain a strategy from *25 Strategies for K-8 Inquiry-Based Learning: Integrating Language Arts and Social Studies.* |  | 14. Write a unit plan for geography. |
|  | 5. Explain the key features of a social studies series teacher's edition. |  | 15. Write a unit plan for history. |
|  | 6. Based on what you’ve learned this semester, what is your definition of “social studies”? |  | 16. Write a unit plan for civics. |
|  | 7. Show evidence of your knowledge of how to use a social studies teacher’s edition. |  | 17. Upload a video clip that introduces you and explains why you want to be a teacher. |
|  | 8. Share 6 recommendations for social studies books, 3 for primary students and 3 for intermediate students. |  | 18. Explain your personal philosophy and understanding of whole group instruction, small group instruction, independent work time, and homework. |
|  | 9. Share 4 recommendations for social studies websites. |  |  | 19. Discuss how you will encourage family involvement in your classroom community. |
|  | 10. Explain two traditional field trips you would plan for your students. |  |  | 20. Explain the advantages of collaborating with other teachers. |

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|  | 21. Explain each of the four social studies strands taught in Nevada. |  |  | 23. Describe your strengths and weaknesses as a teacher. |
|  | 22. Explain the Nevada State Social Studies standards. Include an explanation of the numbering system, how the grade levels are connected, and how the social studies standards work with the Common Core Language Arts Standards. | 24. Explain why you think social studies should or should not be taught in elementary grades. |
|  | 25. Describe your biggest “a-ha” moment in EDEL 453. |

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