

St. Patrick's Day Stations 3/17/09

Objective: In groups, students will complete a worksheet over Irish legends and St. Patrick's Day traditions and origins by traveling to different stations and answering all 20 out of 20 questions.

Standards: 8.3.4 Analyze the importance of the setting to the mood, tone, or meaning of the text.

Process:

- Students will travel in groups to stations made of clusters of desks.
- Each station will have a story, legend, or fact sheet for the students to read.
- The students will find the corresponding title of the article on their worksheet and will answer questions over the topic at that station.
- They will have five minutes at each station.

Assessment: The students will be assessed by a worksheet. After every group has been to each station, we will review their answers as a class. This lesson is part of the larger immigration unit, so students will also be asked how the Irish and St. Patrick's Day have influenced and shaped the United States.

St. Patrick's Day Trivia
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Name _____ Period _____

St. Patrick's Day

1. In which country did St. Patrick's Day originate?

2. On which date each year is St. Patrick's Day celebrated?

3. Where does one of the biggest St. Patrick's Day parades take place?

St. Patrick and the Snakes

4. What creature is St. Patrick credited with driving out of Ireland?

5. What is another explanation for the fact that Ireland does not have any snakes?

6. How might St. Patrick and the snake legend have begun?

The Legend of the Shamrock

7. What religious concept did St. Patrick explain using the shamrock?

8. What does the word "shamrock" mean?

9. Why is green associated with St. Patrick's Day?

The Legend of the Leprechaun

10. What is the leprechaun's occupation?

11. Describe the leprechaun's personality.

12. What do you have to do to get the leprechaun's treasure?

The Legend of the Blarney Stone

13. What was England's relationship to Ireland?

14. What did Queen Elizabeth try to do to Lord of Blarney?

15. According to the legend, what happens when someone kisses the Blarney Stone?

16. How did the stone supposedly help Lord Blarney?

The Legend of Ireland's Magic Harp

17. What happened to the young girl's father?

18. What did the leprechauns make and give to the young girl? What was it made out of?

19. How did the harp help the girl and her father?

20. What does the harp symbolize in Ireland today?