

Competency: Describe Father's Day

Lesson Overview: Students will learn vocabulary associated with Father's Day. They will also gain an understanding of this holiday and be able to describe it upon completion of this lesson.

This lesson plan includes:

1. Father's Day Vocabulary
2. Father's Day Word Search
3. Father's Day Word Search Key
4. Father's Day Vocabulary Matching
5. Father's Day Reading Comprehension
6. Father's Day Vocabulary Practice
7. Father's Day Vocabulary Flash Cards
8. Referenced websites

Approximate Time: 1 – 2 hours

Prerequisite Skills: Students must be able to read and write simple sentences and have a basic understanding of cardinal numbers, ordinal numbers, months of the year, days of the week, and calendar skills.

Prerequisite Vocabulary:

card(s)
celebration(s)
father(s)
flower(s)
gift(s)
holiday(s)
June
Mother's Day
president(s)
Sunday
Third

Vocabulary:

by oneself
courageous
Father's Day
honor(s)
living
loving
raise(s) raised
rose(s)
sacrifice(s)
selfless
sermon(s)

Materials Needed: Whiteboard or flip chart, erasable markers, and handouts

Equipment Needed: Multi-media computer with Internet access (for optional activities)

Activities:

1. Explain the purpose of the lesson.
2. Ask students what they already know about Father's Day. Write their responses on the board or on a flip chart
3. Briefly review the prerequisite vocabulary. Go over the new vocabulary. You may want to write the words on the board.
 - a. Make sure that each student can correctly pronounce the new words by having them pronounce the words aloud as a group and then individually.
 - b. Give the students **Father's Day Vocabulary** handout. Carefully explain each word and make sure that students understand the meanings.
 - c. For spelling practice, give students **Father's Day Word Search** handout. Allow students to work in pairs. Review answers orally. An **answer key** is provided.

4. For vocabulary development, use ***Father's Day Vocabulary Matching***. Students should complete these exercises independently. Review answers orally.
5. To teach students about Mother's Day, use ***Father's Day Reading Comprehension*** sheet. Read the passage to your students. Tell them to circle all of the vocabulary words in the passage. Have students take turns reading the paragraphs. Answer any questions the students may have. Have students to answer the questions that follow the passage. Review answers orally.
6. For vocabulary practice and application, use ***Father's Day Vocabulary Practice***. Allow students to work on this activity in pairs. Review answers orally.

Assessment/Evaluation of Learning:

1. Instructor evaluation of students' participation.
2. Evaluation of student worksheets

Optional/Follow-up Activities:

1. Visit the following websites for poems, trivia, and stories related to Father's Day:
 - a. <http://www.theholidayspot.com/fathersday/history.htm>
 - b. <http://www.web-holidays.com/dadsday/>
 - c. <http://www.aristotle.net/fathersday/>
2. Bring in various Father's Day cards for students to look at. Have students create Father's Day cards. They can create them online by going to <http://www.americangreetings.com/category.pd?path=23474>.
3. Have each student write a few paragraphs about his/her father. Have students share their paragraphs with the class.
4. Use ***Father's Day Vocabulary Flash Cards*** for further vocabulary development.