

Mini-lesson: American Legends

1.) Grade level/Audience: 1st Grade

2.) Curriculum topic: Social Studies & Recognizing and telling stories of historical events and American Legends (**H.12.1.4** Retell stories of historical events, American legends, and people who played a role in history)

3.) Tools: Paint and iMovie

4.) Synopsis of what I'm doing and how I am using the tools. How are the students doing it? Individually, whole class, group of 3 etc.:

In this lesson, I will be incorporating Paint and iMovie to enhance the lesson and the concepts taught. After time has been spent going over historical events, American legends, and people who played a role in history, I will put names of American legends in a bag for children to draw. Once everyone has drawn a legend, I will tell my students that they will be completing a project with the person that they have drawn. In class, I will help my students gather information about their person. I will have handouts printed off for students that has additional information about their person, as well. Students will first, use computers to use Paint in order to draw their person. Their drawing could include some things that the person did in their life, where they lived, their family; it can be anything about their historical figure. The next part of the project will have students create an iMovie. This iMovie could be students pretending to be their historical figure, or it can be videos/pictures of information about their person (parents help may be needed). The iMovie should include information regarding their historical figure's personal life and include what he/she did that made them an American legend. Once the iMovie is completed, students will present their movie to the class to teach a short lesson and inform others of their historical figure.

