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FIRST GRADE FIELD TRIP: Overview

In preparation to create our timeline, we will look at something more familiar, a school schedule before moving to a person's timeline of their life.

Once we establish the idea of timelines and how they are used, we will discover that Franklin, TN was formed in 1799.

We will take a moment, close our eyes and imagine an empty city. Students are challenged to consider the things that are needed to make a town.

We will record the students' ideas on our whiteboard. Using this brainstorm session as our anchor task, we will create Our Franklin Timeline.

Our Franklin Timeline is a 6'x 4' rolled out timeline.

We will place each of these 9 major events on our timeline:

- Establishment of Tennessee- 1796
- Abram Maury purchasing Franklin, TN land-
 - Establishment of Franklin, TN- named after Benjamin Franklin- 1799
- First hotel- White's Tavern- 1803
- First School: Harpeth Academy 1811
- First grocery store- Campbells Grocery Store- 1820's
- First bank: Planter's Bank of Tennessee- 1824
- First neighborhood in TN- Hincheyville- 1828
- One of the first restaurants, Franklin Restaurant, early 1900's
- Franklin Theatre founded 1939

Some major themes include how we are always changing and growing, meaning our timeline is never finished. We touch on the fancy word, PRESERVATION, which simply means keeping the old things in our town pretty. Preservation is one of the things that makes our town and county so unique and special.



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Students will break into (5) Time Traveling Stations:

Campbell's Grocery Store:

Make believe grocery shop (check out the pricing!) and explore offerings of a grocery store in the 1820's. Notice there are no treats like hot cheetos! 😊

Hincheyville Memory Game:

Students will play a quick game of Memory where they will try to find matches of historic homes in Franklin's first neighborhood.

Franklin National Bank:

Students will receive a bill at this station for their rent, groceries, wood, lamp oil, and water access for the month. Prices are accurate to the time period of one of Franklin's first banks in the 1830's. Students will use a blank "check" from the Franklin National Bank to pay their bills.

Harpeth Academy:

Students will explore 1st Grade versions of McGuffey's Primers, traditional counting manipulatives (buttons), and chalkboard spelling tests.

Franklin Theatre- Go Fish:

Students play a game of Go Fish using historically accurate first movie tickets to Franklin Theatre.

Teachers will be given digital access to a cut and paste timeline that corresponds to the one we create during our time together. This may be used at school and independent or group practice.