



LESSON PLAN

Celebrate Women's Contributions to Literature

OBJECTIVE

Explore the literary contributions of female authors and the impact of their writings on society and culture.

DETAILS

Grades: 5-8 (Years 6-9 UK Curriculum)

Duration: 1 hour

MATERIALS

- Projector
- Computer
- Copies of selected works by female authors
- Research materials (books, articles, websites)
- Writing materials (paper, pens, markers)



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STEP 1: INTRODUCTION (10 MINUTES)

Start the lesson by introducing [UNESCO World Book and Copyright Day](#). Talk about the occasion and its purpose as a worldwide celebration of books and reading. Explain that today's lesson will focus on female authors' contributions to literature and their works' impact on society and culture.

STEP 2: PRESENTATION (15 MINUTES)

Use a projector and/or computer to show a presentation on some of the most prominent female authors, such as Jane Austen, Mary Shelley or Harper Lee. Highlight their achievements, works, and impacts on literature and society.

STEP 3: READING (20 MINUTES)

Distribute copies of selected works by female authors to each student. Have students read each one and take notes on the themes, characters, and writing style.

STEP 4: DISCUSSION (15 MINUTES)

Lead a class discussion on the works and the impact of female authors in their field and throughout society. Encourage students to share their thoughts and observations and ask questions to encourage critical thinking and analysis.

STEP 5: WRITING WORKSHOP (15 MINUTES)

Provide students with writing materials and ask them to write a response essay on how women contribute to literature, society, and culture. Encourage students to use specific examples from the works they read to support their arguments.

STEP 6: CONCLUSION (5 MINUTES)

Review the lesson's main points, including the cultural and literary impact of female authors. Encourage students to continue exploring different books and writers, and celebrate World Book Day in their own ways.

ASSESSMENT

This lesson plan provides an engaging and interactive way for students to learn about female authors and their influence. The reading and writing activities help students develop their critical thinking, analysis, and writing skills, and class discussion participation can also be used as a form of assessment.