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Classroom Games Get Rave Reviews!

Learning Magazine asked teachers to give feedback on the latest educational products and here's what they said...

What aspects of this product did you like the most?

I like that this game can be adapted to play with two people or a whole class. The questions are appropriate and the answers are short and simple. I also love the different tasks that the students perform after answering a question. The students love them and it keeps them active and interested.

I like the way it makes learning Social Studies facts fun. My fifth graders liked the fact that they could play a game, move around and learn some interesting facts. The topics also let my students learn many different facts based on the topic.

I liked the versatility of the product. It can be used for the games provided in the instructions, games the teacher makes up, or review when I have a few minutes. I also liked the physical activities the students would perform when questions were answered correctly. My students loved those!

How did you make use of the product or integrate it into your lesson plans?

My class had done a lot of research during Black History Month this year so we played the Black History Bean game as a whole class. Some of my students even used the game during recess time to quiz each other to get better. We made a little competition out of it the next time we played. They really like it!

I used this product as a whole group activity and as a center activity. This works great when integrating reading and social studies. I used it in reading centers and as a social studies whole group activity. The action activity kept the students interested.

The games I received were used in different ways depending on the topic of the game. The games that fit into my 5th grade curriculum were used as a review lesson. Another way I used it was to practice new ideas taught in class.

What skills did your students learn from this product?

My students learned facts they did not know and reviewed those they did. Those students who have difficulty speaking out in class felt more comfortable with speaking and participating in class.

My class really liked the Black History game, they learned a lot about famous African Americans, slavery/the Civil War, the Civil Rights Movement, and African American influences on society/culture. The other games teach facts about America, the Presidents, the Constitution, and Weather. These are a great way to integrate social studies and science into your curriculum in a fun and entertaining way!

I think there was more fact learning going on than skill learning. Of course, the students had to use social skills and manners in order to successfully keep the game going. The kids were really into the actions after getting a question right; they got to have fun while learning.

If funds were available, would you recommend this product to a teacher at the appropriate grade /age level? Please explain why or why not.

I would recommend these games to other teachers. They provide a fun, easy way to learn about history and science. I just wish there were more topics!

I would recommend this to teachers in grades 3-5. It is loaded with information and presented in a fun and interactive way. It is adaptable for large and small groups.

I would recommend this product to another teacher. We are always looking for fresh new ways to review with students. Students would enjoy this one because of the physical activities. They are silly enough to appeal to all ages!