



Cultural Preservation: Customs & Traditions

Key Vocabulary:

Customs

Traditions

Poetry

Same

Different

Right

Wrong

Smell

Taste

Hear

See

Touch

I am/We are from...

Lesson Overview:

This lesson is the fourth in a series focusing on cultural preservation. In this lesson students will examine traditions from different cultures around the world. They will learn traditions in regard to dress, eating, family, celebrations, and/or art from another culture and have the opportunity to share their own experiences. Students will explore the five senses and then participate in a poetry writing activity where they will write a 'We are from' poem which reflects their culture and traditions. Student will be offered the opportunity to share in a cultural celebration in their community.

* Cultural preservation books are an optional part of these lessons. Culture can be shared and celebrated with or without this component. If you decide to print books, material from the four cultural preservation lessons can be saved for inclusion, preferably translated into English and the students' first language.

Objectives:

- Students will learn about the traditions of a culture different from their own.
- Students will compare and contrast cultural traditions.
- Students will share their cultural traditions, including those related to dress, food, family, art, and celebrations.
- Students will participate in the writing of a poem about their culture.
- Students will explore the five senses as related to their culture.

Materials Needed:

- Conversation Card: *Traditional Dress*
- Materials for 'Cultural Traditions' activity
- PowerPoint: *Not Wrong, Just Different*
- Large Paper, labeled
- Worksheets: *5 Senses*, '*We are from ...*' poem template, vocabulary