Coconino High School Weekly Learning Guide

Course	Environmental Science	Week Assigned	May 11 - May 15
Lesson Title	Nonrenewable Energy: Nuclear		
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Target Standards	Essential HS.E1U3.14 Engage in argument from evidence about the availability of natural resources, occurrence of natural hazards, changes in climate, and human activity and how they influence each other		
Learning Goal	I can describe how uranium is mined and used for nuclear power. I can describe the advantages and disadvantages of using nuclear power for electricity.		
Essential Questions	 How do we get uranium? How is a nuclear power plant similar to and different from a coal power plant? What are advantages for using nuclear power for electricity? What are disadvantages for using nuclear power for electricity? 		
Learning Activity	Students will complete the Google Doc assignment "Nonrenewable Energy: Nuclear" that can be found in Google Classroom. Students will be directed to multiple websites and will use that information to answer the 10 questions on the assignment. To get full points, students must satisfactorily complete the Google Doc and turn it in in Google Classroom.		
Resources	In the Google Doc, the students will be directed to access the following websites: https://geoinfo.nmt.edu/resources/uranium/mining.html https://www.energy.gov/ne/articles/nuclear-101-how-does-nuclear-reactor-work https://www.nei.org/fundamentals/how-a-nuclear-reactor-works https://azbigmedia.com/business/palo-verde-inside-the-nations-largest-nuclear-power-plant/ https://www.renewableresourcescoalition.org/nuclear-energy-pros-cons/ https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/nuclear-disaster-at-chernobyl https://www.rferl.org/a/update-chernobyl-disaster-how-it-happened/29193709. html		

Links to Printable Materials	PDF of alternative presentation: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iNmHYJTi2ozye-ppCBvafh_K734emCu N/view?usp=sharing PDF of material on mining: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wKkK0btfzmw99k2SMecjcUmYYqL78N qw/view?usp=sharing PDF of material on Chernobyl: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1k8vXOkCbgA6oPVGKg_8IEhU18eLv4x 2M/view?usp=sharing PDF of alternative printable assignment: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ume0RA6gfEQD5cYnUhVpz-qW777Ngr TF/view?usp=sharing
Extension & Enrichment	Here is a link to my favorite documentary about Chernobyl: https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x6hj8gh If you get a chance to watch it, here are a few questions to think about: 1. What might have made the situation different if it had happened in the United States? 2. Who (or what) do you think was most at fault for the Chernobyl disaster? 3. What do you think could have been done to prevent the meltdown or to have lessened the impact of the disaster?