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Map of New York with Orange County highlighted

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Midterm

History of Orange County

• **1683**: established

• **1714**: Gomez Mill House

• Revolutionary War
  – Battles of Fort Montgomery and Fort Clinton

• **19th Century**: US Military Academy at West Point

• **20th Century**: Bear Mountain State Park Established, First section of Appalachian Trail
Midterm
Demographics: Population

1860
• The population was about 63,812 people including whites, blacks, and mulattos

2000
• The population increased about 5.35% and the total population was about 341,367
What We Changed:

• Updated Sites to be more Historical
• Changed Interpretive Signs to be one sided
• Changed Highway Markers to be uniform to be easily recognizable
Executive Summary

Here you will see guidebooks with incorporated itineraries, interpretive signs, highway markers, and lesson plans for our various sites in Orange County, NY
Itineraries
DAY 1
Place 1: The Military Academy at West Point

Itinerary:
- 10:10: Arrival Time for the Military at West Point Academy
- 10:15: Arrive at the visitor’s center
- 10:30: Go on guided tour. West Point Tours takes you by bus through the grounds and stops at a few places, but you cannot randomly walk around on your own.
- 12:30- Go to West Point Museum. Its collections include nearly all aspects of military history and encompass the history of West Point and the United States Military Academy, the evolution of warfare, and the development of the American Armed Forces.

• Description:
  - Elite Military leaders were graduates
  - Established in 1802
  - One of the top 3 tourist attractions in NY

• Price: The price for these tours is $9 for adults and $6 for those under 12.

• Leave West Point: 2PM
Place 2: Ice Cream Shop of Highland Falls

• A nice little break located right near the West Point campus.

• Leave Ice Cream Shop of Highland Falls: 2:30
Place 3: Fort Montgomery

- **Itinerary**
  - 2:40 Arrive at Fort Montgomery
  - 2:45-4: spend time exploring fort and hiking trails.
  - 4: Visit Blue Mountain State park

- **Description:**
  - Showcases original artifacts and weapons, large scale models of the fort and the attack
  - The scene of a fierce Revolutionary War battle for control of the Hudson River

“Bear Mountain State Park is situated in rugged mountains rising from the west bank of the Hudson River. The park features a large play field, shaded picnic groves, lake and river fishing access, a swimming pool, Trailside Museums and Zoo, hiking, biking and cross-country ski trails. An outdoor rink is open to ice skaters from late October through mid-March. The Perkins Memorial Tower atop Bear Mountain affords spectacular views of the park, the Hudson Highlands and Harriman State Park. Perkins Memorial Drive and Tower are open from April through late November, weather permitting.

- **5: Leave Fort Montgomery**
Place 4: Avocado Restaurant

• Itinerary
  – 5:15 Arrive at Avocado restaurant
  – 5:30: begin to eat at restaurant
  – 7:30: leave restaurant

• Menu:

• 9:30: arrive at Painter’s Inn
DAY 2
Place 1: Harness Racing Museum

• Itinerary:
  – 10:30: Arrive for tour of museum
  – 11:30: Further examine the exhibits The STORY OF HARNESS RACING BY CURRIER & IVES & A BEVY OF BRONZES and Sulky Slicks: Harness Racing as an Advertising Icon
  – 12: check out THE HARNESS RACING HALL OF FAME
  – 12:30: Historic Collection & Library Research
  – 1: Visit Gift Shop and experience 3-D simulator
  – 1:15: head to parking lot and drive to lunch.

• Description:
  – Promote education
  – The museum displays the history and excitement of harness racing
  – Displays various artifacts from the past and present, hands on exhibits, a 3-D horse stimulator, & the opportunity to see real horses
Place 2: Cosimo’s Restaurant

Menu:
Place 3: Woodbury Premium Outlets

• **Description:**
  – Over 200 discount stores, making it the largest in the US
  – The outlets receive more tourists than Niagara Falls!

• When leaving the Outlets, you will stay at **Thayer Inn Hotel**
Place 4: Thayer Inn Hotel

• 6:30: Arrive at Thayer Inn Hotel at: 674 Thayer Road, West Point 10996
• 6:45: Check into Thayer Inn Hotel

• Description:
  – The only full-service luxury hotel on the Hudson River from the George Washington Bridge to Albany, NY
  – views of the Hudson River and the United States Military Academy at West Point
  – Come discover a captivating blend of over 200 years of military history with a full array of modern comforts and amenities.
  – 151 deluxe rooms
Place 5: MacArthur’s Restaurant (located in Thayer Inn)

• 7:00: MacArthur’s Restaurant
  – located in the hotel

• Menu:
DAY 3

7:00 Wake up
8:00 Check out of hotel
8:30 head to Storm King Art Center
Place 1: Storm King Art Center

• Itinerary
  – 8:45: Arrive at Storm King Art Center
  – 9-12: Walk around exhibitions.

• Description:
  – Sculpture park
  – 500 Acre landscape of fields, hills and woodlands
  – 100 sculptures

• 12:30: Leave Storm King Art Center
Place 2: Machu Picchu

- Itinerary
  - 12:45: Arrival at Machu Picchu
  - 1-2: Eat lunch

- Menu:

- 2:15: Leave restaurant
Place 3: George Washington Headquarters

- **Itinerary**
  - 2:20: arrival time
  - 2:30: Go on tour

- **Description:**
  - George Washington made some of his most important decisions here
    - Rejected the idea that he should be king after war
    - Created and awarded the Badge of Military Merit
    - Guided Tours

- **4:30: leave George Washington’s Headquarters**
Place 4: Torches on the Hudson

- Description: Since 2001 Torches has put the Hudson Valley on the map for nightlife and entertainment. Torches features the most popular DJ’s and entertainers year round which is why we have become the area’s largest after hours hotspot. Friday and Saturday nights showcase talent from L.A., Las Vegas, Miami and more locally New York City. DJ sessions begin at 10:30pm and usually end around 3AM depending on the season.

- Menu:

- 7: Leave Torches on the Hudson Restaurant
Place 5: Pickerel Rush Bed and Breakfast

- 7:05: Arrive at Pickerel Rush Bed And Breakfast 333 Carpenter Avenue, Newburgh 12550
  - 7:15 Check In

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• Description:
  – Andrew Downing
  – Hudson River Waterfront
  – Antique décor and furnishings
Place 1: Bannerman Cruise and Walking Tour

• Description:
  – Short boat ride: 2 ½ hour tour
  – Tour will include a lecture about the history of the island and many opportunities for photos

• What to bring/wear:
  – Sneakers
  – Comfortable clothing that you can walk in
  – Water bottle
  – Bug spray
Place 2: The River Grill

• Menu:
Place 3: Motorcyclepedia Museum

• Description:
  – 2 floors
  – Names like Harley-Davidson, Thor, Yale, Pierce, Flanders...
Place 4: Gully's Restaurant

• Menu:
Place 5: Marriott Courtyard Hotel

- Newburgh, NY right by Stewart Airport
- 4 Governor Drive, Newburgh, NY 12550
DAY 5

• Eat an early lunch at Beebs, An American Bistro, check out of the hotel, and head home.
Interpretive Signs
The history of Orange County is vital to the history and existence of our nation. From the Native Americans to Henry Hudson to George Washington, many influential people inhabited the lands we still prosper from today. It is important to learn the history of these lands and the people that have occupied it many years ago in order to better the land and people of our nation for years to come.

West Point was founded March 16, 1802. The school offers an Academic Program, a Military Program, and a Physical Program. West Point strives to prepare graduates to serve as leaders in the army. The West Point Museum displays items like military flags, uniforms, and weapons. The museum supports military and cultural instruction. It represents centuries of military history.
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FORT MONTGOMERY

Fort Montgomery was the scene of a fierce Revolutionary War battle for control of the Hudson River. Visitors today can tour the remains of the 14-acre fortification, perched on a cliff overlooking the magnificent Hudson. On October 6, 1777, British, Loyalist and Hessian forces attacked Fort Montgomery and nearby Fort Clinton. The defending American Patriots, outnumbered 3 to 1, fought desperately until driven out of their forts at the points of the enemy bayonets. More than half of the Patriot forces were killed, wounded or captured.
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The Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization devoted to the preservation, celebration and encouragement of the sport of harness racing. As Goshen was the capital of the sport, it is only fitting that this museum was founded right here adjacent to the track. The museum is an exciting and family friendly exploration into the world of horse breeding and harness racing. The museum's collection includes more than 1,500 works of art, 1,000 pieces of ephemera, 5,000 photographs, 300 jockey outfits, 50 sulkies and so much more. All of this is assembled into exciting interactive presentations where you are encouraged to explore and discover.
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Woodbury Common Premium Outlets is an outlet center located in Central Valley, New York. The center is part of the Chelsea Premium Outlets group and takes its name from the town in which it is located. Opened in late 1985, expanded in 1993, and again in 1998, the center now has 220 stores occupying more than 800,000 square feet and is one of the largest contiguous outlet centers in the world. Due to its proximity to New York City, Woodbury Common is a major attraction for foreign tourists visiting the region.
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STORM KING

Widely celebrated as one of the world’s leading sculpture parks, Storm King Art Center has welcomed visitors from across the globe for fifty years. It is located only one hour north of New York City, in the lower Hudson Valley, where its pristine 500-acre landscape of fields, hills, and woodlands provides the setting for a collection of more than 100 carefully sited sculptures created by some of the most acclaimed artists of our time.
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Buried on an island in the Hudson, beneath the brittle body of century old castle walls and thin hair of tangled vines, lie Civil War bayonet scabbards and the ashes of Irish linen bed sheets. This is the remnant of a Scotsman's fortress called Bannerman Castle -- built not as a home, but as an arsenal for his immense collection of weapons. The principal feature on the island is Bannerman's Castle, an abandoned military
Highway Markers
Orange County

West Point

The Key to America

Take Exit 16 to Rt. 17
Orange County

Harness Racing Museum

Take Exit 16
Lesson Plans
Military Academy at West Point

Overview-
-learn the history of the military base at West Point and about what West Point is today.
-teach students how to gather information necessary for a brochure and also how to write brochures.
Military Academy at West Point

Procedure -
• **Day 1** - Students will be given a brochure guideline with the following headings:
  – history of the academy-including a time line of events (this will be the largest section of the brochure)
  – daily routines of cadets-including housing, dining, and schooling.
• While the students take the tour, they will fill in their brochure guidelines with information they think would be important to be put into a brochure for future visitors of the state historic site.
• **Day 2** - Writer’s Workshop- students write first drafts of their brochures; then type them up to be published and presented to their classmates.
Fort Montgomery & Fort Clinton

Overview-
- teach students how to gather information through a hands-on field trip and cooperate well with group members
- learn about the design and construction of a military fort and the strategies used in preplanning
Fort Montgomery & Font Clinton

Procedure:

– **Day 1:** Divided into five teams, each with the same goal: to construct a new and improved military fort that can withstand any war battle.

– Focus on the remains of the West, North and Round Hill Redoubts and the grand battery of Fort Montgomery and the West Redoubt of Fort Clinton.

– Students will be given a handout in which they will take notes on the placement of areas in the forts, including the redoubts, the river, the bridge, the battery and anything else they think is necessary.

– **Day 2:** Groups discuss which aspects of the fort they are going to implement into their own fort.

– Each group will then present to the class their illustration of their fort, including its name and the strategy used in designing it.
Storm King Art Center

Overview-
-learn about the history of the Hudson River Valley through art form
-discuss different sculptures and the sculptors themselves.

-compare/contrast one to another and also compare these sculptures to sculptures found outside the Hudson River Valley.
-create their own sculptures representing themselves using clay or other materials.
Storm King Art Center

Procedure -
- Read literature on sculptors and artists in the Hudson River Valley; Discuss elements of sculptures and strategies to interpret their meanings.
- Divide into groups; Each group will stop at a minimum of 7 sculptures and discuss elements of design as well as meaning.
- Students will have a scavenger hunt graphic organizer to complete during the field trip with various elements of design to find.
- Students create sculptures during art class using clay or other materials available.
- Students present their sculptures to their classmates including in their presentations the elements of design used as well as their interpretation.
Overview - focus on an underlying concept of leadership - obtain an insight into Washington’s home life and his presidency as well as how leadership played a huge role in Washington’s life and decision making.
George Washington’s Headquarters

Procedure-
• Read *A Picture Book of George Washington*, by David A. Adler
• Divide students into groups of three.
• take notes on his life at home as well as his presidency.
• The term leadership will be an underlying concept that we will consider during this lesson.
• After the field trip the students will work in their groups to write a story about George Washington’s life. They will be sure to include important components of leadership that affected his decisions as president.