

Quick Earth Day (or any day) Related Lesson!



We think the CNN "Green Solutions in Focus" documentaries raise awareness of the fragility of our earth and the times we live in. These short segments allow opportunity for classroom reflection and discussion. Here is a thought for a quick Earth Day lesson:

Show the CNN produced FUNDRED special (perhaps in the context of one or two of the other segments).

- Discuss how all actions have repercussions: the environmental consequences of lead contamination resulting from additives in gasoline and paint; despite prohibition of these additives there is residual pollution compromising health. Fundred.org has a fact sheet with more information on lead pollution. See Operation Paydirt section of the fundred.org website
- What are the traditional means of addressing these environmental hazards?
- Who are the people innovating alternative solutions?
- How can we, as individuals and community, be part of the solution? How do we express our concerns and how do we take action?
- Spend some time personalizing FUNDRED DOLLAR BILLS.
- Reflect on environmental responsibility and what we can do to reinforce our personal commitment locally and globally

Materials:

CNN Green Solutions in Focus Fundred Special

text: <http://www.cnn.com/2009/TECH/04/20/gsif.fundred.dollar.bills/index.html>

video:

<http://www.cnn.com/2009/TECH/04/20/gsif.fundred.dollar.bills/index.html#cn-STCVideo>

CNN Green Solutions in Focus (full program)

<http://www.cnn.com/2009/TECH/04/17/green.solutions.in.focus/index.html>

Fundred Dollar Bill Templates (1 per student)

Follow instructions for Fundred Dollar Bill Project to participate in the project!

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