Social Studies

Brunswick School Department Grade 3 Economics

Essential Understandings	 Money is used in exchange of resources, goods, and services. Bartering can be used in the place of money.
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	What are natural resources?
	What are human resources?
Essential	What is scarcity?
Questions	What is a need?
	What is a want?
	• What is bartering?
	What is currency?
	Natural resources are supplied by nature and are used in the
	production of goods and services.
	 Human resources are the people who work to produce goods and services.
Essential	
Knowledge	 Scarcity is a shortage or insufficient amount. A need is essential for survival (i.e., food, clothing, shelter).
Rilowieuge	A want is desired, but not essential for survival.
	 Choices are impacted by wants, needs and the availability of
	resources.
	 Bartering is trading goods or service without the exchange of
	money.
	 Currency is used in exchange of resources, goods, and services.
	■ Terms:
Vocabulary	o resource, human resource, natural resource, goods,
	services, producers, consumers, wants, needs, choices,
	currency, barter, scarcity
	 Identify natural resources.
	Identify human resources.
Essential	Distinguish between a want and need.
Skills	Describe how scarcity affects choices.
	Explain bartering.
	Identify the need for currency.
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Related	A. Personal and Consumer Economics
Maine Learning	Describe barter and money and how each is used in the
Results	exchange of resources, goods, and services. 2. Identify a situation in which a personal decision is made about
	the use of scarce resources (e.g., deciding to use allowance to
	go the movies instead of buying a gift for a family member).
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Sample Lessons And Activities	 Read a piece of literature, find the economic terms, and discuss the economic decisions that needed to be made. Discuss the terms goods and services with your family and the economic decisions they make. Discuss Brunswick's economy. Role-play bartering keep monthly budget. plan a trip Guest speaker from Chamber of Commerce. Create a brochure of Brunswick's resources.
Sample	 List some human resources and some natural resources in
Classroom	Brunswick.
Assessment	Create a business guide to Brunswick.
Methods	
Sample Resources	 Video: Money Story, U.S. Mint (out of print, but available in some schools). Econ and Me Economics in our Age: Supply and Demand Economics in our Age: Goods and Services Economics in our Age: Factors of Production and Economics Difference Between Wants and Needs
Technology Link	http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum