

KANSAS JEOPARDY

Celebrate Kansas' birthday by challenging your class to a game of Kansas Jeopardy. Find out how much they remember about our grand and glorious state and maybe learn a few new things along the way.

Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for Social Studies:

Standard 1: Choices have consequences

Standard 2: Individuals have rights and responsibilities

Standard 3: Societies are shaped by beliefs, ideas and diversity

Standard 4: Societies experience continuity and change over time.

There are no materials needed for the Kansas Jeopardy program.

This program is designed to be a review of students' knowledge about the state of Kansas. It would be beneficial for students to have some time in class to review basic information about the state before participating in the program.

Prior to the program, please divide your students into two teams. It would be helpful to have the teams sit together.

Program Connection Information

Please use an external microphone (conference style) rather than the integrated one in the computer for the audio for your class and locate it centrally in the room. It can be difficult for the Greenbush teacher to hear the students using the computer microphone and therefore it reduces the interactive nature of the lesson. It is fine to use the computer webcam for your video source.

All classes will take place using Zoom desktop video. If your building is already set up to use a desktop video application with a computer, simply open a browser and enter <https://zoom.us/j/3662120241> in the URL space. You may need to download Zoom launcher software (free download) if you don't already have it. This needs to be done in advance of the lesson.

If using a Polycom video conferencing unit (or any legacy type video conferencing unit) to connect to a ZOOM conference, make sure the unit is in "encrypted mode" then dial the following IP on the internet: 162.255.37.11 or 162.255.36.11 and once connected, they will ask for a MEETING ID: enter 3662120241 (for Sharon at Science Center).

It's always a good idea to touch base with your district technology facilitator prior to your program to make sure all systems/equipment are in place and operational and that there aren't any firewalls in place that might prevent you from connecting to Zoom.

Once you connect, you will enter a Zoom waiting room. Your Greenbush teacher will admit you into the final meeting room.

If you have questions, please call Sharon Bertolio at Greenbush, 620-724-6281, or email at sharon.bertolio@greenbush.org (best method of contact).

Additional Lesson Resources



The following lists of Kansas resources have been compiled to assist you with planning Kansas Day activities and lessons in your classroom. They are not required for the program.

Kansas Day in the Classroom – Kansas State Historical Society

Kansas Day offers an ideal time to remember the state's history. If you are not planning to join us for [Kansas Day at the Museum](#), [Kansas Day at the Capitol](#), or at one of our [state historic sites](#), you can find a number of ideas to bring the celebration into your classroom.

We are always interested in ways that Kansas' history is being taught. We invite you to contribute to our [share your work](#) page and contact education@kshs.org.

Traveling resource trunks

Our exciting series is available to teachers, youth group leaders, museums, libraries, and other Kansans looking for a fun and educational way to share the rich heritage of our state with others. Trunks contain reproductions, hands-on activities, a teaching manual, photos and more. They may be reserved and borrowed for use at a time and location convenient to you. If you plan to use a trunk on Kansas Day we encourage you to schedule early. Trunks may be reserved a year in advance.

- [Traveling resource trunks](#)

Real People. Real Stories. Trading Cards

The story of Kansas is the story of its people. Meet people in Kansas' history.

- [Trading cards](#) - featuring Real People. Real Stories. from Kansas! Quantities are limited.

Activities to Print

- [Kansas Day activities](#) - printable PDFs that can be used for students in the classroom.
- [Today is Kansas Day!](#) story to be read aloud, written by Kristy Nersthemier and illustrated with images from *Read Kansas!* lessons and photos from contest winners.

Read Kansas!

The lessons below have been chosen because they are more Kansas Day specific. We have [many others](#) that fit many topics related to the history of our state.

- [P-3 Kansas Symbols Bingo](#)
- [P-8 The Kansas Flag](#)
- [P-13 The Kansas State Capitol](#)
- [P-16 Holidays in Kansas](#)
- [I-3 Famous Kansans](#)
- [I-10 Why Is the State Called Kansas?](#)
- [I-11 "Home on the Range"](#)

Lesson Plans

- [Ready-to-go lessons](#) - developed by teachers for several grade levels and subjects

Online exhibits

- [Beyond Lewis and Clark: The Army Explores the West](#) - military explorers from Lewis and Clark (1804) to George Custer (1874)
- [Carry A. Nation: "The Famous and Original Bar Room Smasher"](#) an online exhibit with accompanying curriculum packet
- [Wheat People: Celebrating Kansas Harvest](#) - with online games and activities to explore the "Wheat State" and "Breadbasket of the World."

Materials to Purchase

- [Kansas A to Z](#) - colorfully illustrated for early readers
- [Kansas Kaleidoscope: A Magazine for Kids](#) - past issues exploring Kansas topics.
- [Kids Kansas](#) - a 44-page book especially for fourth grade with games, puzzles, stories, and reading activities
- [Real People. Real Stories. activity books](#) - featuring seven people in Kansas history, with puzzles, games, and stories
- [Story of Kansas](#) - coloring book featuring Buddy the Buffalo
- [Museum Store Online](#) - offering a variety of other materials available to assist you in planning your Kansas Day commemoration.



Keep in touch with upcoming events and resources for the classroom with our electronic bimonthly [KSHS Teacher eNews](#).

Traveling Resource Trunks

Enhance your Kansas history lessons with these [hands-on items](#)

Related Content

- [When Kansas Became a State](#)
- [Kansas Day at the Capitol](#)
- [Birth of Kansas Day - Kansapedia](#)
- [Kansas Day at the Museum - Registration](#)
- [Gertrude Ackerman Collection](#)

<http://www.kshs.org/p/kansas-day/14770>

edHelper Kansas Resources

Questions, Facts, and "Who am I?" for the state of Kansas

[State of Kansas Mixed Review: fill-in questions, "Who am I", facts, and writing prompts \(multiple keys\)](#)

Reading Comprehensions

[Twister! \(Grades 2-3\)](#)

[Kansas is Unique! \(Grades 3-4\)](#)

[Kansas Becomes a State \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

[Woman of Flight -- Amelia Earhart \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

[Misguided Fanatic or Hero? John Brown \(Grades 7-9\)](#)

State of Kansas Theme - Math Stories

[Kansas Math \(Grades 2-3\)](#)

[Kansas Math \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

State of Kansas Theme - Story Starters

[Kansas Story Starter Printables](#)

Books



[KS is for Kansas \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

State of Kansas Theme

[Location of Kansas in the United States Printable and Information](#)

State of Kansas Theme Time Line

[Kansas Time Line #1 \(15 events in time line\)](#)

Kansas: Reading Comprehensions with References to Kansas

This section lists reading comprehensions on [edHelper.com](#) with references to the state of Kansas. These reading comprehensions were not written specifically for the state theme unit.

Daily Themes

(Grades 3-5)

[A Sports Great](#)

[Sweet or Unsweet?](#)

[The Wizard's Wizard](#)

(Grades 6-8)

[L. Frank Baum: The Wonderful Wizard of Oz](#)

[The Life of Barack Obama](#)

Miscellaneous

(no assigned grade level)

[Harry S. Truman](#)

[Walt Disney – The Great Animator](#)

[What Ever Happened to Amelia Earhart?](#)

(Grades 1-2)

[Kansas Kate](#)

(Grades 3-5)

[Compromises](#)

[Hardscrabble Christmas III](#)

[Icy Weather](#)

[Nancy and the Noise Wall](#)

[Oregon National Historic Trail](#)

[The Cattle Industry Grows](#)

[Touring the United States Regions](#)

[Walnut Grove, Minnesota](#)

[Why President Lincoln Grew a Beard](#)

<http://edhelper.com/geography/Kansas.htm>

Kansas Foundation For Agriculture in the Classroom

Text in **dark green** indicates a link to the resource.

• **KANSAS DAY RESOURCES**

For more than 150 years, agriculture has been an important component of our state's history. KFAC is excited to offer resources that focus on symbolic icons of Kansas to assist teachers and classroom volunteers in integrating agriculture into their Kansas Day lessons and celebrations. For lesson plans related to Kansas, visit **Kansas Lesson Plans** page.

Wheat is one of most important crops in Kansas - in fact, Kansas is known as "The Wheat State." Wheat is a member of the grass family, and during the winter, our wheat is green like grass. Watch a Kansas wheat field grow from planting to harvest by visiting **Wheat Watch**.



The journey of wheat from the field to the table is an incredible one. The lesson plan [Wheat: From Field to Table](#) can readily be incorporated into a Kansas Day unit because it covers multiple curriculum subjects.

A fun Kansas Day activity is [Bread in Bag](#). Youth can make their own loaf of bread, which allows them to see why wheat is an important crop and how wheat is important to their diet. The lesson plan includes important vocabulary associated with bread-making as well as thorough step-by-step instructions.

Sunflowers represent Kansas as our state flower. The abundance of wild sunflowers in the state is also why Kansas is known as “The Sunflower State.” Wild sunflowers can be seen along the roadsides in the summer and fall. Sunflowers are also raised as a food and feed crop in our state. Watch sunflowers grow from planting to harvest from K-State Research and [Extension Sunflower Scene](#). Be sure to check out the pictures from last growing season!



The Sunflower Story from Oklahoma Agriculture in the Classroom allows students to see the growth cycle of a sunflower, learn what the sunflower needs to grow and raise more seed.

Additional resources on sunflowers include [Sunflowers: Sunflowers Produce Cooking Oil and Seeds](#).

On the Kansas State Seal there is a picture of a farmer and his team of horses preparing the soil to be planted. Kansas is connected to the soil; in fact, we even have a state soil, which is Harney Silt Loam. Kansas farmers raise wheat, sunflowers, corn, soybeans, milo, alfalfa and prairie grasses using our state's soils that are rich in nutrients. The income for the State of Kansas from crops raised on Kansas soils is over \$6 billion per year!

The [Kansas State Historical Society](#) offers a useful and fun lesson plan on our state soil, while [The National Museum of Natural History](#) has excellent, interactive information on Kansas' state soil as well as other states' featured soil.

[USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service \(NRCS\)](#) offers additional, more in-depth background information on Harney silt loam, and Kansas' very own Jackson County Conservation District has an [informative newsletter](#) about soil, survey maps, soil testing, careers in soil and much more.

In addition, the following websites provide basic soil information. Through these lessons, learn how soil is formed, how it benefits us and how to protect this precious natural resource. Many of these websites have great interactive lesson plans that can be used by students in a computer lab or in your classroom with an interactive whiteboard or LCD projector and computer.

- Claude's Got the Scoop of Soil
- Dig It - The Secrets of Soil
- Dirt - The Secrets of Soil from Utah Agriculture in the Classroom
- KFAC's Edible Soil Profile
- Soil Education Resources

The following print resources also provide additional soil information that may be helpful to include in a Kansas Day unit.

- Soil, Get the Inside Scoop
- The Science of Soil - Unit 1, Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom's Crops and Oilseeds Educator's Guide (2004)

Kansas is one of the top beef-producing states in our country. Kansas beef contributed \$6.24 billion of income to the state in 2009 (*Kansas Ag Statistics*). Additional Kansas beef statistics can be from **Kansas Livestock Association**. The following resources are recommended to share information about beef with students.



Connect the Dots: Where does my food come from? is an integrated educational kit designed for second and third grade students with portions expandable to first and fourth grades. As students explore their world, it is necessary to help them realize that the food system contributes significantly to this world. The lessons in the kit meet national education standards in science and social studies while reinforcing skill development in language arts and content understanding in health. The lessons can be taught in any order or can be used individually if time doesn't permit teaching all three.

More information about beef is available from the **Kansas Beef Council**. KFAC recommends *Caretakers All - Protection of Natural Resources*.

Beyond the Beef will help your students learn about all the products we use daily that are made from beef byproducts, which include products for home, pharmacy, travel, and industry.

Photo: Keith Weller, USDA ARS

Don't forget to check out our **Kansas Ag Facts** for additional exciting information about our great state!

http://www.ksagclassroom.org/students/ag_facts_day.htm