

Who we are

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Core Values at Miami Valley

Experiential Learning:

"MVS believes that students thrive from opportunities to experience life and to learn while broadening their knowledge of self and kindling intellectual passion and curiosity."

Project Period

- 2.5 Weeks
- Interdisciplinary units
- Break from regular classroom activities
- Grading and evaluation
- Differences by grade levels

Organization of Sixth Grade Project Period

- Regular classes ended
- Size of class
- Teacher Participation
- Week 1 at school, week 2 at Miami University



Organization of Nomes

 Khats: Scarves designate nome membership



Organization Nomes



Coats of arms reflecting characteristics of nomes

Organization of Nomes



Menat:

Necklaces that represent the rank of a student in the nome.



Activities in other disciplines

English



Read selection and write creatively in a journal





Activities in other disciplines

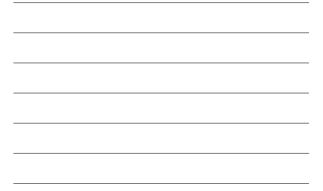


Art
 Masks

Wooden Benches







Activities in other disciplines

Music

Listen to Aida (a traditional version and the new John/Rice version)



Egyptian Musical Instruments



















Miami University Libraries

- Who we areSetting
- Information Literacy at Miami
- Expectations of Middle School students



Evolution of Library Activities

- Tour beginnings
- Evolution of Ohio Information Systems
 OhioLINK
 - InfoOhio
- ACRL and Information Literacy



Session One



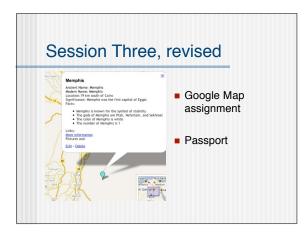


Foundations of evaluation
 Article Exercise

Session Two

- Evaluation of WebsitesCyberbee http://www.cyberbee.com
- Search Directory vs Search Engine
- Searching











Other Libraries

 Instructional Materials Center

Presentation of play written by Miami student. Included MVS student designed costumes and props













Lectures with professors

What Students Gain

- Access to resources not available at school
- Internet and information evaluation skills
- Meeting with and learning from experts in their field

What Students Gain

- Understanding of what a university is
- 1st experience of college life
- Self responsibility
- Different bonding than that which occurs at school

What Miami University and Miami Libraries Gain

- Understanding students' preparation for college academics
- Understanding younger students' thought processes
- Future Miami students

Future Plans

- Miami University librarian work again with students, now in 7th grade
- Involve the MVS librarian prior to and with visit to Miami
- Formal evaluation of program (including students, Miami participants and MVS faculty)

