Newspaper Narratives

The Texas Oil Boom!

Students will view online newspapers to learn about the Texas Oil Boom! They will follow the permalinks embedded on each slide, as well as use the "Texas Oil!" worksheet among others.

Discover the numerous links embedded within this power point, you may select a few slides to use or have students view just the slide show.

How to view the articles:
1. students use the slides_with_notes power point
2. from the slide, click on the picture or shapes [derrick]
3. then click on the zoom link, located on the right side of the page
4. locate and read the article (download to read)

Texas Oil!

Oil prospecting was due to data discovered in the archives of early Missionaries in Mexico.

In Texas as early as 1840 it was known to exist in the region of Sour Lake, Hardin County, while more important discoveries began around 1865.

Vocabulary
- Drilling
- Rig
- Oil Barge
- Tug Boat
- Derrick
- Boring Well
- Oil Fields
- Refinery
- Gushers
- Venting
- Oil Tank
- Oil Pump Jack
- Crude Oil
Map of Oil Fields

Click on the picture to view the online newspaper

Use the “Texas Oil” worksheet and links on slides #5 - #11 to find out more

Story of Oil Wells of Texas

Use the Fact/Opinion sheet to gather key information
Then use the "short story" worksheet to write your own account of the Oil Wells!

Buying & Trading Oil:

Individuals became Oil Tycoons, overnight!
Do the Big Bucks! worksheet to understand how?
Gusher #2

At 10c per share
Gusher no. 2 is in!

Use the Fact/Opinion worksheet to gather key information

Use the “short story” worksheet to write your account of the event!

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Drilling

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Transportation

Oil barges: how many barrels could the United States Fuel Oil Company carry?

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Economic Comforts

Use the t-chart to list the differences between the two pictures. Name the advantages of having Oil!

Service Station

The Gas Pump!

How are Gas stations different today?

The Industry Today!

Class discussion: what issues does the Oil Industry face today!