

Eliminating River Blindness
Sixth Grade – Economic Understandings

Elaborated Lesson Focus

This lesson is designed to allow students to learn about the role that The Carter Center plays in helping to eliminate devastating disease. Using primary and secondary sources, students learn what river blindness is, its affect on its victims, and the impact it has on

Pairs of students will access the following Web site:

<http://www.cartercenter.org>

articles dated 31 July 2007, 19 Dec. 2006, 19 Jan. 2006, 20 Nov. 2003, 1 Jan. 2003, and 1 Nov. 2001. Also access Web site: On the Road with President Carter_

<http://www.cartercenter.org/news/documents/doc10.html>.

Students will read these primary sources. They will take notes as they read.

Scaffold

Dialogue and Discussion

Selected Response

right). Read

Performance Task

Each pair of students will create an informational poster on river blindness in Latin America. Students can go to <http://www.cartercenter.org> and click on View Activities by Country on the upper left side of the home page to obtain more information on river blindness in individual countries identified in previous tasks.

Rubric

Resources for River Blindness

<http://www.cartercenter.org>

<http://www.cartercenter.org/countries/index.html>

http://www.cartercenter.org/health/river_blindness/oepa.html

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