



M is for Moon | ABC's of AAPIs

This lesson is about the moon, Mid-Autumn Festival, and other culture's moon mythologies, encouraging students to do their own research and sharing their findings.

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In partnership with the Asian American Advocacy Fund (AAAF), WQED Education took AAAF's ABC's of AAPIs coloring book project and created lesson plans for educators to use in the classroom to provide a creative activity and resource for AAPI Studies.

Time Allotment: 1 class period

Learning Objectives

- Learn about the Mid-Autumn Festival
- Learn about other culture's moon mythology

Prep for Teachers

- Print enough copies of the coloring sheet and poem

Supplies

- "M is for Moon" coloring sheet
- Pencil and Paper
- Coloring supplies

Learning Activities

1. Ask the class to look up information about the Mid-Autumn Festival using reputable sources. They can also look into content creators who share their own culture.
2. Have students record down their findings to create their own "fact sheets"
3. Share out their findings.
4. Ask the class what the moon means to them or when they think of the moon, what do they think of? Record these responses on the board for everyone to see.
5. Distribute copies of the coloring sheet and put students into small groups to read and analyze the poem.
6. Have students write their own version of the poem based on their findings, their reflections.
7. Ask students to then find a piece of poetry from any culture about the moon. Why do they think the moon is so often featured in poetry?
8. Ask students to look up a moon mythology different from their own culture that people may not know about.
9. Have students record down their findings to create their own "fact sheets" for these different moon mythologies.
10. Create a T chart and see what similarities and differences there are between the different mythologies.