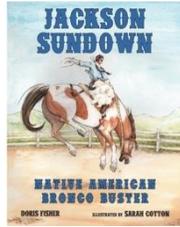


TEACHING GUIDE

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JACKSON SUNDOWN: NATIVE AMERICAN BRONCO BUSTER ***Published by Pelican Publishing***

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Before reading, show the book's cover.

What do you think this book is about?

What animal is on the cover?

What is the man doing on the cover? What type of man is he?

Why is one hand in the air and one hand holding onto the saddle?

READ THE TEXT. THEN DISCUSS THESE DETAILS.

Language Arts Suggestions

Jackson Sundown lived in the northwestern United States. Is that near or far from where you live? Find Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Canada.

Why did the Nez Perce run from their camp when the soldiers arrived?

How did Jackson escape the attacking soldiers?

Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce tribe surrendered to the army. Where was the tribe sent to live?

Jackson eventually settled on a ranch in Idaho. What did he do there?

How old was Jackson in 1912 when he entered a rodeo for the first time? How would you feel at that age, competing against younger rodeo riders?

In 1916 Jackson finally won a rodeo. Why didn't the judges name him a winner before?



Math Suggestions

In 1912, Jackson was 49 when he started entering rodeos. He won his championship in 1916. How old was he then?

The Nez Perce tribe walked 1,100 miles in 120 days. Determine how many miles did they walk each day?

What year is it when you are reading this? How long ago was 1916, when Jackson won?

Jackson stood six feet tall and weighed 155 pounds. How tall are you? How much do you weigh?

Jackson died in 1923 at the age of 60. What year was he born?



Science Suggestions

The Nez Perce tribe traveled from June to October in 1877. What kind of weather did they encounter? See the art in the book.

What would the tribe need in snowy weather since they camped on the ground? How would the temperatures feel?

The Nez Perce honored the natural world. How can you do that?

Find Indian Territory on a map. What was the climate like in Indian Territory?



Art Suggestions

Draw or paint a picture of a bucking bronco with a saddle.

Use clay to make a horse and rider.

Draw or paint a rodeo.

Draw yourself wearing a cowboy hat.