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Lessons	10 Lessons – A Look at Our Water: How Can We Protect Essential Water?
1. Jay-Z Water for Life	Focus Question: What actions do people have to take to ensure they have water?  Learning Activities: World Water use Graph worksheet and discussion. Watch a video and complete discussion questions
	Assessment Technique: Worksheet/Discussion completion, read chapter 8 lesson 1 and answer 1-10 and Global Water Resources
2. Burlington Free Press	<b>Focus Question:</b> What is a local source of water pollution to Lake Champlain and what is a solution to this local problem?
	Learning Activities: Research local articles on water and demonstrate the location of the issue.
	Assessment Technique: Worksheet completion and read chapter 8 lesson 3
3. Tributary Lesson Plan	Focus Question: Where does the river flow in your neighborhood?
	<b>Learning Activities:</b> Interpret the Lake Champlain Basin map and recognize it as a topographical map and not a political map. Use Google Maps to locate their home, then their local rivers. From their home to Lake Champlain, trace where the river goes.
	Assessment Technique: Each student shows their neighborhood tributary on the Lake Champlain Basin map
4. Environmental Detectives	Focus Question: Who are the polluters in your neighborhood?
	<b>Learning Activities:</b> Use the website, scorecard.org and lcbp.org to research your neighborhood. Students are an "Environmental Detective" finding who the local polluters are.
	Assessment Technique: Individual or group discussion about what they discovered
5. Watershed Model	Focus Question: What are the major types of water pollution and their sources?
	Learning Activities: Demonstrate non-point and point source pollution using watershed model.
	<b>Assessment Technique:</b> Match individual article to what best represents that issue on the model. Identify whether or not their issue was a non-point or point source problem.
6. Groundwater Model	Focus Question: How can pollution get into the groundwater and into our drinking water?
	Learning Activities: Watch Erin Brockovich movie and sources of water pollution worksheet
	Assessment Technique: Conduct a group discussion and have students write a "movie review"
7. Iraq Marshes and Lake Champlain	Focus Question: How can human activities alter ecosystems?
	Learning Activities: Watch a video, create a storyboard of Lake Champlain, applying Iraq to Lake Champlain.
	Assessment Technique Storyboard will evaluate student understanding of how the basin is today and how it would change if drained.
8. Lake Champlain Plants and Animals	Focus Question: Why are wetlands important to Lake Champlain?
	Learning Activities: Identify plants and animals from Lake Champlain wetlands
	Assessment Technique: Students will be able to recognize plants and animals in Lake Champlain and how water moves in the basin to support the food web.
9. Bottled Water	Focus Question: Why don't we drink the tap water at Woodside?
	<b>Learning Activities:</b> Identify the issues surrounding bottled water (video). Discover and propose alternative drinking water sources for Woodside. Inform the staff to remove bottled water.
	<b>Assessment Technique:</b> Discuss the pros and cons of bottled water. Create a poster or write a letter promoting tap water.
10. Your Challenge	Focus Question: What Lake Champlain Basin issue could you help do something about?
	Learning Activities: Create proposals for action to help protect the Winooski River watershed.
	Assessment Technique: Students present with posters to staff and panel responds to proposal.