

The Tulsa Race Massacre

Inquiry Design Model (IDM) BlueprintTM

Prior to implementing this lesson plan and its primary sources, review "Selecting Primary Sources: Criteria for Classroom Use" to determine if these selections are appropriate for your classroom. Many sources are included so that instructors may select based on their knowledge of their students.

https://primarysourcenexus.org/2012/04/selecting-primary-sources-criteria-to-consider/

| Compelling Question | What causes people to act? | |
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| Standards and Practices | OKH.5.2. Examine multiple points of view regarding the evolution of race relations in Oklahoma, including: E. causes of the Tulsa Race Riot and its continued social and economic impact. Practice 3. Acquire, Apply, and Evaluate Evidence Students will utilize interdisciplinary tools and master the basic concepts of the social studies in order to acquire and apply content understanding in all related fields of study. | |
| Staging the Question | Allow students to listen to Olivia Hooker's story (Start at 2:22 to avoid commercials) http://www.radiodiaries.org/tulsa-race-riot/ Prepare students to engage with challenging events in history. Establish guidelines for working respectfully with others as they move through the material. | |
| Supporting Question 1 | | |
| How could anyone do that? | | |
| Formative Performance Task | | |

This task allows students to examine the causes of the Tulsa Race Massacre and assess whether they were catalysts or causes. It is acceptable if there is disagreement on the answers. The focus of the task is for student to consider, critically, the contributing factors.

Students will read the "Causes and Catalysts" section of the source and complete the graphic organizer. They may work individually or in small groups. The teacher will then facilitate a discussion to see what agreement exists in the students' thinking.

Featured Sources

S. "The Tulsa Race Massacre" Oklahoma History Education Department.



Supporting Question 2

What happened to the people this happened to and the people who did this?

Formative Performance Task

This task allows students to explore their expectations about justice and race during this time.

Students will read "The Massacre" and, before they read "Aftermath" and "Controversies" sections, they will make predictions about the impacts of the massacre on the graphic organizer. The teacher may choose to conduct a brief discussion and create a class list of predictions. Then, students will read "Aftermath" and "Controversies". They will see how closely their guesses aligned with the historical record. Again, the teacher may choose to conduct a discussion to process the outcomes of the massacre.

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Summative Performance Task

Argument

Students will create an instructional material (poster, student reading, visual or recorded presentation) on the Tulsa Race Massacre. The rubric at the end of this plan may be used to assess but it is recommended teacher review the rubric expectations to students before beginning the project.

Extension

Research and respond: Does this hundred year old event influence race relations today?

Taking Informed Action

Students can tour the John Hope Franklin Reconciliation Park and discuss how this impacts the communities affected by the Tulsa Race Massacre. http://www.panowalks.com/embed/7izaQPRaovbF5JjZm8KtkyrzkzD4/



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Section 1: Contributing factors of the Tulsa Race Massacre

A **contributing factor** is something that shapes future events. There are different kinds of **contributing factors**. A **cause** is a reason why something happened. A **catalyst** is a reason why something happened when, where, and how it did.

For example, in World War 1, an outdated balance of power system was a **major cause**. The **catalyst** for World War 1 (why it happened when it did) was the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand.

During the Great Depression, the **major cause** was the maldistribution of wealth. The **catalyst** was the Stock Market Crash of 1929.

A **cause** will be a factor in an event regardless of when, where, or how it happened. A **catalyst** will be a factor in that specific incident.

For example, the institution and expansion of slavery would be the **major cause** of the Civil War. This would be true even if the Civil War happened a different time or with a different division of states or if had been fought with bows and arrows. The election of Abraham Lincoln was a **catalyst** in that it contributed to the outbreak of the war in 1861.

As you learn about the Tulsa Race Massacre, record the different contributing factors. Determine where the factor was a **cause** (a reason why something happened) or a **catalyst** (something happening in a specific place, way, or time). Be prepared to justify your answer!

| Contributing Factor | Cause or Catalyst? |
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Based on the reading and your knowledge of history, what was the **MOST IMPORTANT cause** of the Tulsa Race massacre? What facts convinced you?



Based on the reading and your knowledge of history, what was the **MOST IMPORTANT catalyst** of the Tulsa Race massacre? What facts convinced you?

| Section 2: Predictions |
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| What do you think will happen to the Greenwood residents interned by the National Guard? |
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| What do you think will happen to the rioters? |
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| What do you think will happen to the people in charge of keeping order? |
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| Who will be blamed for the Tulsa Race Massacre? |
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| What will happen to the people who lost everything? |
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| What help will Greenwood residents receive? |
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| Section 3: Reflection—How accurate were your predictions? |
| Did you accurately predict the impacts the massacre would have? Why do you think people responded the way they did to the Tulsa Race Massacre? |
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Rubric for Summative Assessment

Did student explain the **contributing factors** of the Tulsa Race Massacre?

Contributing factors presented with context and complexity

Multiple contributing factors identified Causes Section

Minimal contributing factors identified Points Possible

No **contributing factors** identified Points Awarded

Did student provide at clear, thorough timeline of the events of May 31-June1??

Clear and Complete

Adequate Timeline Section

Needs More Information Points Possible

Not present Points Awarded

Did student explain the various **impacts** of the Tulsa Race Massacre?

Impacts explained with context and complexity

Multiple impacts identified Impacts Section

Minimal impacts identified Points Possible

No impacts identified Points Awarded

Did student include an introduction and conclusion?

Intro/Conclusion

Intro/ conclusion offer an overview and analysis Section

Intro/ conclusion offer an overview Points Possible

One element is missing Points Awarded

No introduction or conclusion

Did the student show care in the creation of this assignment, minimizing errors and working to make a strong, positive impression of scholarship?

Excellent

Yes Professionalism Section

No Points Possible

Partial Points Awarded