

Hudson River Trading Game Resources ***for Teachers, Parents & Students***

Multidisciplinary

Hudson River Lesson Plans from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, with activities in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies for grades K-12.

STEAM lessons created by the Albany Institute of History and Art, with interactive maps, primary documents and paintings (portraying trade, commerce, ecology, etc.), glossary of key terms & additional web resources:

- [**Hudson River Panorama, 400 years of history and culture**](#)
- [**Hudson River School STEAM: Art & the Environment**](#)

Science

Teaching About the Hudson River Estuary is another DEC website that focuses on river ecology. Check out the [**Kids Go Outside Activities**](#), pictures of [**Hudson River wildlife**](#), and a [**virtual tour of the river**](#).

Create A Constellation Activity and backgrounds on some constellation myths from PacificScienceCenter.org.

Constellation Videos: [**Super Stars \(Constellations\)**](#) shows less known constellations, and how to find them; [**What are Stars & Constellations**](#) shows how to find Polaris and other constellations in the night sky; [**Constellations: Connect the Dots in the Sky**](#) explain how common constellations got their names, and what they look like in different parts of the world.

Find Stars in Your Night Sky: Make your own star wheel using the guide from *Sky & Telescope*. The site also has an [**Interactive Star Chart**](#), so you can enter your zip code to see what to look for on the next clear night.

Find your Latitude by building your own, or [**make your own compass**](#).

Social Studies

Hudson River Sloops, an article on Hudson Maritime Museum's history blog has pictures and descriptions of sloop travel. Explore the museum's [**Kids page**](#), including a 1903 video of a trip down the Hudson River.

Search the [**New York Heritage Digital Collections**](#) for Hudson River related documents: If you type "Philip Van Rensselaer," you will find an [**Invoice of Stores**](#) written in 1777, when Philip was the Commissary of Public Stores during the Revolutionary War.

Slavery in New York: Tour the New York Historical Society's *Slavery in New York* exhibit galleries and check out their educational materials. **Note:** Adults should check that content is appropriate for individual students.

Albany's Long Neglected History of Slavery, describes the exhibit *A Dishonorable Trade*. Developed by Fort Craillo State Historic Site in Rensselaer, the exhibit explored what slavery was like in Albany. The article includes statistics and charts showing the extent to which Albany participated in the slave trade.

Irish Indentured Servitude: Learn about the history of indenture servants and view 18th Century newspaper advertisements for the sale of indenture contracts & recovery of runaway servants.

Find Recipes, Coloring Pages & More, on Colonial Williamsburg's interactive site.