Enduring Understanding

Students will understand that ancient societies in Africa minted coins to facilitate the purchase of goods and services and for political and religious purposes.

Essential Questions

1. What is money?
2. Why is money important?
3. What images and text frequently appear on money? Why?

Objectives

By the end of the lesson students will be able to:

1. Define money.
2. Use monetary terms to discuss coinage.
3. Describe coinage in Aksum, East Africa.
4. Discuss the economic, political and religious purposes of Aksumite coins.

Materials Needed

Discover Africa in the World Website
Instructional Powerpoint

Procedure

The Instructional Powerpoint provides the procedure for the lesson. Teachers can edit as needed.

Assessment

Seven Research Questions correctly answered.
Individual Projects