Field Walk to the Lake Mills Country School

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Grade Level (Req.): 4th grade	Content Area (Re Studies	eq.): Social	Unit (Opt.): The Midwest Region	
Connections to Other Disciplines	(Opt.):			
Language Arts - Guided Ro	eading, Laura Ingal	ls Wilder		
Time Frame (Req.):	Goal (Req.): To help students understand the differences between			
90 minutes	the country schools of the past and today's schools			
	Objective (Req.): Students will take a field walk to our town's			
	country school. The students will be able to explore what a country		•	
school looked like and hear a presentation.				
Materials Needed (Req.): New Vocabulary (Opt.): New Vocabulary (Opt.):				
Comfortable shoes				
Anticipatory Set/Introduction [Inquiry Question is required] (Req.): What can you tell me about country schools of the past as you observe this classroom? List 5-10 items				
you note as you walk around the	•	iast as you obsel	ive tilis classiooiii; List 3-10 iteliis	
you note as you walk around the school.				
Instructional Sequence/Procedure (Req.):				
1. Begin with our walk to the country school. This will take about 20 minutes.				
2. Anticipatory set- give students 10-15 minutes to explore the classroom				
3. Share observations that students have recorded in their notebooks				
4. Present formal talk on country schools - approx. 15 minutes				
5. Share ideas about what has changed in schools. Are there any similarities?				
6. Give students time to "Talk it Out"				
7. Have students create Ven	n diagram with the	eir work partner		
8. Question/answer time				
9. Walk back to school				
Formative Evaluation (Req.):		Assessment (R	eq.):	
Observation, students actively en	gaged in learning	•	m, a minimum of 5 items for each	
Iowa Core Curriculum Standards U	Jsed (Req.):			
 Understand historical part 	tterns, periods of t	ime, and the rela	ationships among these elements	
Common Core Curriculum Standa	rds Used (Opt.):			
NGS Standards Used (Req.):				
 How to apply geography 	to interpret the pa	st		
The physical and human	characteristics of p	laces		
Five Themes of Geography Used (Req.):	School District	Standards and Benchmarks (Opt.):	
Region				

Human-Environment Interaction	
21 st Century Universal Constructs (Opt.):	
Other Disciplinary Standards (Opt.):	
Other Essential Information (Opt.):	
Other Resources (Opt.): • A guest speaker who once attended a count	try school