

Locating the Site Activities

Overview

Student will examine three different types of maps and use them to determine locations of natural features, historical events, and contemporary carousels.

Essential Questions:

- Map 1: Find the Folks
 - What happened?
 - Where did it happen
 - When did it happen
 - Who was involved in the event?
 - Who or what else would you include to represent New York
 - Why do you think the artist chose this event to represent New York
- Map 2: New York State Carousel Census
 - What geographic regions in New York have the most carousels?
 - What is the relationship between a carousel and its location?
- Map 3: Animals Represented on the Empire State Carousel
 - What do the different features of a landforms map mean?
 - What are the three main habitats found in New York and what types of animals live in them?

New York State Standards:

- English Language Arts
 - Standard 1: Language for Information and Understanding
 - Standard 3: Language for Critical Analysis and Evaluation
- Mathematics, Science and Technology
 - Standard 4: Science
 - Standard 6: Interconnectedness: common themes

- Social Studies
 - Standard 1.3: Study about the major social, political, economic, cultural, and religious developments in New York State and United States history involves learning about the important roles and contributions of individuals and groups.
 - Standard 3: Geography

Materials:

- Copies of attached maps and accompanying materials
- Copies of the Assessment Worksheets
- Pencils/Pens

Procedure

- The teacher will introduce the main idea of the lesson, or individual map they are using.

- The teacher will distribute copies of the maps and accompanying materials to the students.

- The teacher will assist the students with any difficulties they might have reading the maps, and monitor their progress finishing the questions.

- The teacher will lead the class in discussion of their answers to the questions when the class has finished as individuals.

Evaluation

- The teacher may use the attached Assessment Worksheets for evaluation purposes.

Locating the Site Map 2: New York State Carousel Census



Red dots represent the locations of carousels. Black dots indicate other cities.

Historically, New York has been closely linked with carousel art in America. New York was a center of production and home of one of the most recognizable carving styles. Today, carousels from the late 1800s and early 1900s are quickly disappearing. There are only 334 carousels left in America. New York has more than twice as many working carousels (forty-three) than any other state. Most of these carousels are found in three areas of New York: the New York City area, the Binghamton area, and the Buffalo/Niagara area.

This activity includes a map of carousels found in New York and a census with the same information. Use these tools to answer the questions found at the end of this section. Then, use an atlas, map, or textbook to find the city that each dot represents and label the map. A list of cities marked with red dots can be found in the carousel census.

New York Carousel Census: For use with Map 2

Carousel Name	Location	Company	Primary Material of Construction	Year Built
New York State Museum Carousel	Albany	Herschell-Spillman	Wood	1915
Recreation Park	Binghamton	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1925
Ross Park Zoo Carousel	Binghamton	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1920
B&B Carousel	Coney Island	Mangels-Carmel	Wood	Unknown
PTC 61	Brooklyn	PTC #61	Wood	1922
Prospect Park Carousel	Brooklyn	Mangels-Carmel	Wood	1914-1916
Private	Buffalo	Illion Kiddie	Wood	Unknown
George W. Johnson Park	Endicott	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1934
West Endicott Park	Endicott	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1929
Highland Park	Endwell	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1925
Nunley's Carousel	Garden City	Murphy-Stein & Goldstein	Wood	1910-1912
Northrop-Grumman Carousel	Greenport	Herschell-Spillman	Wood	1920
C. Fred Johnson Rec. Park	Johnson City	Allan Herschell Co.	Wood	1923
Central Park	New York City	Stein & Goldstein	Wood	1908
Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum	North Tonawanda	Allan Herschell #1 Special	Wood	1916
Olcott Beach Carousel	Olcott Beach	Herschell-Spillman	Wood	1928
Flushing Meadows / Corona Park	Queens	Mangels-Illion	Wood	1903-1908
Forest Park	Queens	D. C. Muller	Wood	1910
Church of the Assumption	Redford	Armitage - Herschell	Wood	1890s
Ontario Beach Dentzel	Rochester	G. A. Dentzel	Wood	1905
The Elaine Wilson Carousel	Rochester	Allan Herschell	Wood	1918

Rye Playland	Rye	Mangels-Carmel	Wood	1918
Rye Playland	Rye	Prior & Church Racing Derby	Wood	1927
Congress Park	Saratoga Springs	Illions	Wood	1904
Beachview Center	Saugerties	Allan Herschell	Wood	1930s
Schenevus Park	Schenevus	Armitage - Herschell Track	Wood	1906
Carousel Center	Syracuse	PTC #18	Wood	1909
Heckscher Carousel	West Hempstead	Illions	Wood	1914
Palisades Center Mall	West Nyak	PTC #15	Wood	1907
Coney Island	Brooklyn	Mangels Kiddie	Metal	1950
Sherman's Amusement Park	Caroga Lake	Loof Frame	Metal	1900
Stewart Park	Ithaca	Allan - Herschell Co.	Metal	1950
Hoffman's Playland	Latham	Allan - Herschell Co.	Metal	1950s
Hoffman's Playland	Latham	Allan Herschell Kiddie	Metal	1950s
Midway Park	Maple Springs	Allan Herschell	Metal	1946
Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum	North Tonawanda	Allan Herschell Kiddie	Metal	1920-1935
Rye Playland	Rye	Mangels Kiddie	Metal	1930
Bear Mountain Inn	Bear Mountain	Carousel Works	Wood	2000
.Empire State Carousel	Cooperstown	NY Craftsman	Wood	1989 – 1994
Eldridge Park	Elmira	Original Frame, New Figures	Wood	Unknown
Seabreeze Park	Rochester	PTC #31/Long/Roth	Wood	1996
The Carousel For All Children	Staten Island	Carousel Works	Wood	1997
Carrello's Carousel	Sylvan Beach	Antique carousel with metal figures	Wood / Metal	1890s

The full carousel census can be accessed online at:
<http://www.nca-usa.org/NCAcensus.html>

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New York State Carousel Census Questions

1. When looking at the map, what parts of New York State have the most carousels? Why do you think this is?

2. Carousels were not built on the site at which they would be used. Looking at the map, how do you think the carousels might have been transported?

3. Look at the census. When were most of the carousels in New York built? Which company built most of the carousels?

4. Is there a part of New York where you would expect to see more carousels? Why?

Name: ANSWER KEY

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1. When looking at the map, what parts of New York State have the most carousels? Why do you think this is?

Areas with the most carousels in New York are Western New York (the Buffalo area),

Central New York (the Binghamton to Albany area), and the New York City area.

2. Carousels were not built on the site at which they would be used. Looking at the map, how do you think the carousels might have been transported?

Answers may include rivers, lakes the Erie Canal, the ocean, and railroads

3. Look at the census. When were most of the carousels in New York built? Which company built most of the carousels?

Most carousels in New York were built in the 1920s by the Herschell-Spillman Company /

Allan Herschell

4. Is there a part of New York where you would expect to see more carousels? Why?

Student's answers may include any part of New York depending on the explanation the

student gives.