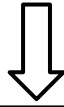


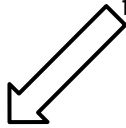
Essential Question

How was Dearfield “dear” to African Americans living in Colorado?



Background Knowledge

O.T. Jackson was the founder of the Dearfield agricultural community in 1910. Without the help of the national president, Booker T. Washington, and the NNBL, O.T. Jackson and a few families started the production of Dearfield on their own. By 1918, at the end of World War I, the colony’s growth began to collapse with less demand for crops families in Dearfield owned. By 1940, there were only twelve families living in Dearfield.



Source 1-3

- Quote from Dr. George H. Junne, Jr.
- Image of O.T. Jackson
- Quote from Booker T. Washington

Source 4

- Newspaper Article: “Dearfield Colony to be Home for Negroes”

Strategy Instructions:

Read Aloud
Quote Discussions
Newspaper Analysis Sheet
Picture Analysis Sheet
Oral History Analysis Sheet

Source 5-8

- Image O.T. Jackson with boy holding a melon in a field in Dearfield
- Image of a box of old jars at school
- Image of a doll that belonged to a child who lived in Dearfield
- Image of a street sign of Dearfield

Source 9-10

- Oral History of Walker Groves
- Image of Walker Groves and his brother



Discussion

Students will answer the essential question after analyzing all of the primary sources which will later be used when completing the narrative journal, short story, or visual representation assessment.



Assessment

“The Dearfield Community Project”