Instructional Unit Title: Boom and Bust

This unit was authored by a team of Colorado educators. The unit is intended to support teachers, schools, and districts as they make their own local decisions around the best instructional plans and practices for all students. To see the entire instructional unit sample with possible learning experiences, resources, differentiation, and assessments visit http://www.cde.state.co.us/standardsandinstruction/instructionalunitsamples.

PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: As a newly hired/newly arrived worker in Colorado’s mining, fur trade, energy, or tourism industry you will be corresponding with people “back home” to let them know about your new life and career in Colorado. In your correspondence you will be documenting your reasons for relocating (the “boom” that brought you to Colorado), your concerns (or lack of concerns) for the security of your job, and your thoughts on alternative work/jobs which you could pursue if you choose to remain in the state/territory.