Social Studies Unit 1 – Call of the Sea

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| Expedition: Masterworks |  | Social StudiesBermuda Five Centuries Chapter 5: Call of the Sea |
| Date: 3rd, 4th,5th October | SEL Focus: Stewardship  |
| Key topics: Most Bermudians of the 1700s made their living from the sea and by 1789 Bermuda had 175 ships working in maritime trade.**Students will be able to list**:maritime occupations in the 1700s, goods traded between the Caribbean and the Americasdifferent types of boats **Students will understand** why ship pilots were necessary, the importance of whales and cedar to the economy. **Consolidation:**Students will answer questions about how people made a living, what boats from that time looked like and how St. George’s was the primary shipbuilding location. Students will do an art activity depicting a harbour from the 1700s  |
| Read aloud: excerpt from Let’s Sail Away“*Whaling was a tough but profitable job. Whales, once captured, were dragged to Smith’s Island, Paget Island, and St. David’s where the blubber was boiled to extract oil for the island’s lamps. Whale bone was made into tools and flesh provided ‘sea meat’ for slaves. Between 5 and 14 whales would be harpooned per year until 1733 when costly licenses and heavy taxes saw the industry die out*.” |
| Activities Outline:  | Activities:1. Welcome to Masterworks
2. Large group: See Think Wonder + Vocabulary
3. Small groups: Elaboration Game
4. Group art activity – the Harbour Scene
 | Timings (approx.)/ 5 minutes 15 minutes 20 minutes1 hour |
| Language:  | During the See Think Wonder, write up Key Vocabulary on white board: maritime, buccaneer, commerce, privateer, seamanship, shipwright, warlordsRootsMaritime – Marine from Mare Latin for sea SynonymsPirate, bandit, outlawBusiness, commerceSails, riggingAft, stern, back |  |
| Art activity and evaluation:*Ensure students review learning and discuss progress and challenges in the day*   | Students will go to the classroom to do a group art activity.Create a picture of something from the sea from Bermuda’s 18th Century past. * Boats (Sloop and gigs)
* Compass
* Whales
* Shipbuilding
* Forts, cannons
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| Paintings | Flatts Inlet, 1793WatercolourThe Ship *Experiment* Hezekiah Frith1963Pen and ink watercolourShip Building at Shelly Bay1961WatercolourSt George’s Harbour1821Oil on Canvas | George Tobin, British (1768-1838)Captain Magnus Musson, British (1917-1991)Captain Magnus Musson, British (1917-1991)Thomas O’Brian Mills DriverBritish (1791-1852) |