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Celebrate Haiti Poster Project Lighting the Way for Haiti – Teacher’s Guide

Introduction – The Celebrate Haiti Poster Project gives students the opportunity to learn about Haiti while creating art.

Title – Celebrate Haiti Poster Project

Subtitle – Lighting the Way for Haiti - Can you imagine your life without electricity?

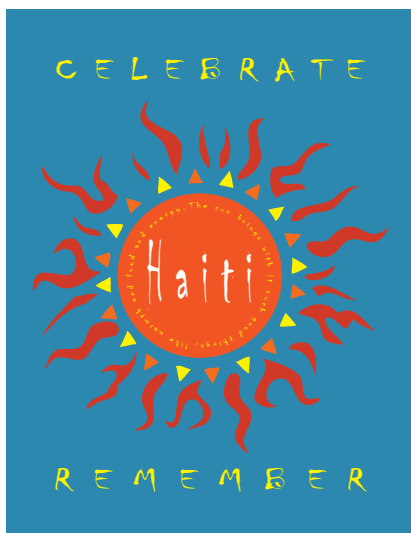
Subject – Science - Social Studies - Art

Grade Level – 3 - 12 (This activity has the capacity to reach a wide range of ages. Each teacher can adjust it according to grade level.)

Objectives – To highlight why electricity is so important in our daily lives. To explore and critically think about why electricity is key to a strong economy. To explain how the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund is helping to bring solar electricity to remote areas of Haiti. To tell the story of how solar electricity is helping the people of Haiti. Finally, as part of the Celebrate Haiti Poster Project, use the sun as a symbol and create posters using this motif.

Background – The Clinton Bush Haiti Fund supports many programs in Haiti. One of their partners, SELF (Solar Electric Light Fund), aims to promote sustainable energy production by using solar energy as a viable source of power in Boucan-Carré, Haiti. Before the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund’s grant, the village of Boucan-Carré had no access to electricity. SELF has already installed and maintains a photovoltaic solar array that powers the village’s local health clinic, run by Partners In Health, and a fish farm that has increased its production by 500 percent as a result of solar-powered aeration and pumps. Distributed solar technology, where it is being deployed in Haiti, is helping Haitians grow a sustainable economy; alleviate hunger; reduce crime against women; and improve public health, education, and the environment.

Information sources – Clinton Bush Haiti Fund [Facebook](#) page, [For Kids](#) page, [SELF](#) program page.



Directions

1. Engage your students and have them explore why electricity is so important in all economies, especially Haiti. Use the *Bringing Solar Power to Haiti* activity sheet. Launch a discussion about the importance of electricity in our daily lives. Ask your students how they believe solar electricity could help Haiti build back better.
2. Next, use the *Join the Celebrate Haiti Poster Project* page to help them think about how they can use posters to raise awareness for Haiti.
3. Finally, using page four as inspiration, have your students create a poster. They can use the sun printout as a stencil or as a coloring sheet. Alternatively, they can create their own unique poster. They are only limited by their imagination. View the [Celebrate Haiti Poster Project](#) page on our site to see what other students have created.

Materials – Activity Sheets (pages 2-4), scissors and glue, Magic Markers, colored construction paper (extra yellow and orange).

Bringing Solar Power to Haiti

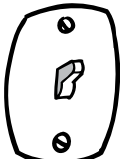




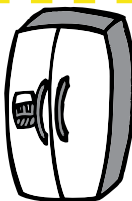
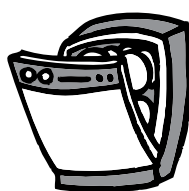

The Clinton Bush Haiti Fund is helping to bring solar power to Haiti.

Recently, President Clinton visited Haiti and the Lashto fish farm in the village of Boucan-Carre. There, he observed the work of SELF (Solar Electric Light Fund), one of the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund's partners. SELF and the Fund are bringing solar power to some of Haiti's more remote villages.

At the fish farm, SELF has designed and installed a solar-powered air pump that oxygenates enough water to boost the fish harvest. The extra oxygen made by the solar-powered pumps raised the number of fish grown from 2,000 a month to 20,000, bringing food and jobs to this small town.

SELF also installed solar panels on the village's health clinic.

The Clinton Bush Haiti Fund's work with SELF helps bring sustainable solar power to Haiti. SELF will also help bring solar power to businesses, schools, hospitals, government institutions, and community lighting.

 LIGHTS	 WASHER	 TELEVISION
 COMPUTERS	Could you live without Electricity?	 FAUCETS
 FRIDGE	 DISHWASHER	 SHOWER

What Uses Electricity in Your Life?

Think about how electricity affects everything you do. How would your school day be without electricity? What would home life be like? Could your grocery store run without electricity? Electricity makes our country work. Haiti is the same. It needs electricity to create more jobs and businesses, light the streets for safety, power the hospitals, and bring electricity to schools so children can learn.

Name three additional things that use electricity that you would not want to live without.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Name the three most important things that use electricity at your school.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Name three important items that use electricity at your mom or dad's work.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Name three things that use electricity at the grocery store.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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Join the Celebrate Haiti Poster Project

Why Your Voice Matters

It has been over two years since the Haitian earthquake and Haiti needs us more than ever. We want the children of Haiti to know that they are not forgotten and that their determination is something that we celebrate.

Stand up and remember one of the most devastating earthquakes in history, where almost 250,000 people lost their lives, and about one million people were left homeless. Celebrate its victories. Even in the face of natural disaster and many obstacles, the Haitian people don't give up. They are proud, strong, creative, and vibrant.

Stand Up, Remember, and Celebrate Haiti



What should my poster be about?

Celebrate Haiti in your poster and use it to teach others. It can be any size. You can draw and paint. You can use collage, maps, words, photos, and poetry. There is only one rule. Somewhere on each poster there should be three words: **Remember. Celebrate. Haiti.**

Tap into Haiti's creative culture filled with art and expression. Understand how history and nature have played a part in shaping Haiti. Learn about how the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund is helping Haiti and use that as your inspiration.

Come Along

Be a part of our Celebrate Haiti Poster Project. Send us photos of your poster. We'll show them off on our site.

kids@ClintonBushHaitiFund.org

Share

Become a group leader. Speak to your class, club, team, community, or religious group. Invite them to join the poster project.

Discover

The more you know about Haiti, the stronger your voice will be. Surf our [For Kids](#) page. Learn all you can. Become an expert.

Inspire Yourself

The colors and culture of Haiti are vibrant. Be inspired by Haitian art. Learn all about Haitian creative crafts. Use tropical colors.

Show Off

Use your poster as a visual aid and share how your class, club, community, or religious group can help Haiti. Hang your posters in your school or in your community.

Get Famous

Write letters to the editor of your local and school newspaper. Contact TV or radio stations. Let them know about your project.

Volunteer

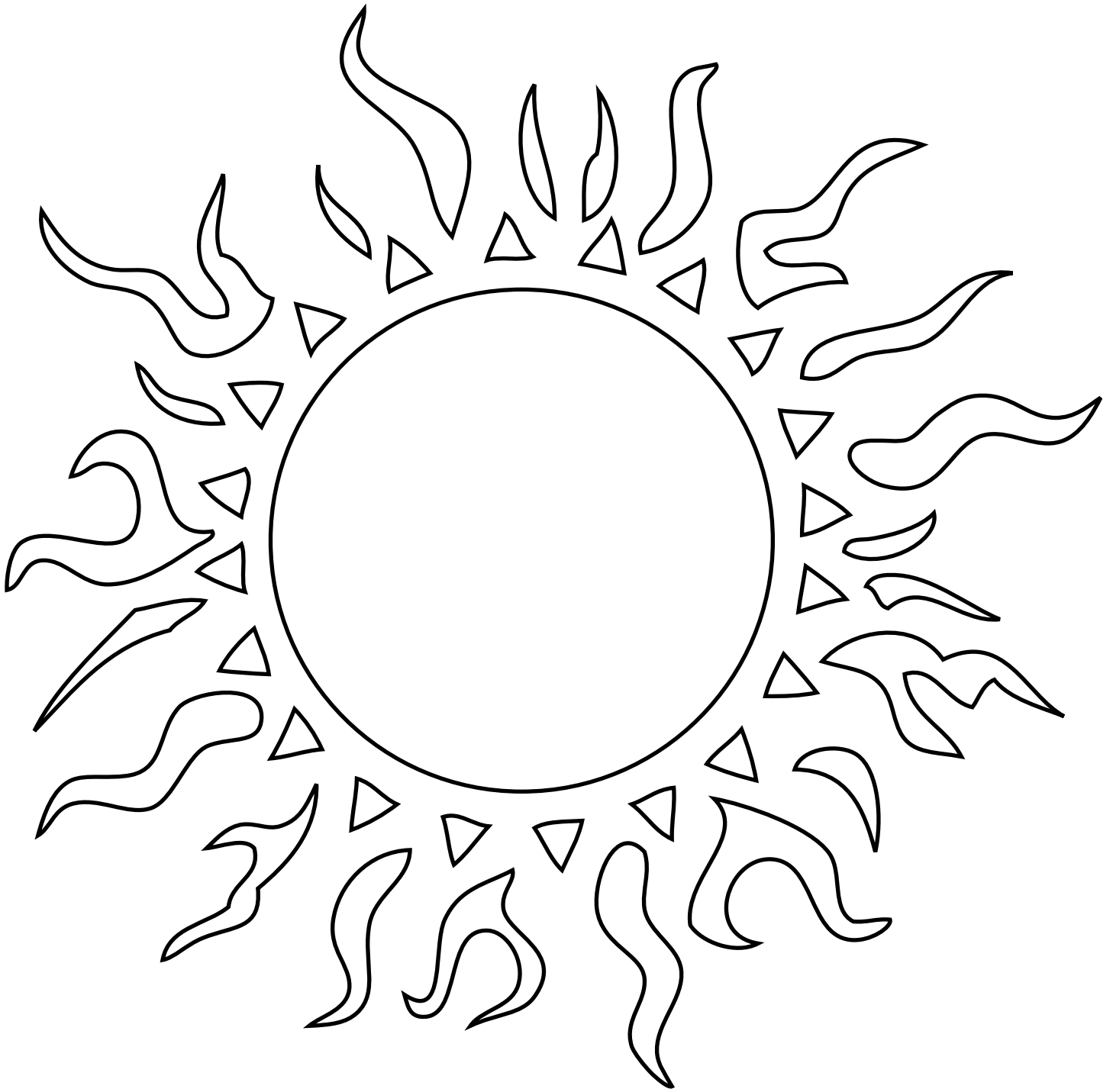
Contact your SL coordinator and receive service learning hours for participating in the project.

Be the Buzz

Visit our [Facebook](#) page to learn about all that we are doing in Haiti. Use Facebook to create an exhibit, share photos, and post about Haiti.

Celebrate

In your community, organize an event and exhibit your posters. See [Kids Helping Kids](#) for events created by students just like you.



Directions: Using the sun as a symbol, create a poster that celebrates Haiti. As inspiration use the above sun as a coloring sheet or as a stencil to cut out using colored construction paper. Alternatively, create your own unique poster. You are only limited by your imagination. View the Celebrate Haiti Poster Project page at www.ClintonBushHaitiFund.org/kids to see what other students have created. Read the *Join the Celebrate Haiti Poster Project* on page 3, to learn more and get ideas.

Don't forget to add these words on your poster:
Celebrate, Remember, Haiti.