

Explain

PURPOSE:

- to answer the Key Question through student explanations
- to provide students with relevant vocabulary, formal definitions and explanations of concepts

ACTIVITIES:

- **Research Activity – Complete Profiles for Wisconsin Environmentalists**

- Choose two of the following activists and research their lives and accomplishments: Gaylord Nelson, Aldo Leopold, Nina Leopold Bradley, John Muir, Increase Lapham, or Will Allen. Use the guiding questions to direct your research.

Research Activity – Guiding Questions:

**These questions are not exhaustive, they're meant to get your research started. Please do not simply answer these questions and call it a day.*

Begin with some basic questions about your activists:

- Where and when were they born?
- What sort of work did they do?

Next, you'll want to find out what impacts your activists had on the Environmental Movement.

- How did your activist get things done?
- What political channels did they use?

After you've researched two activists, you'll begin to compare their lives and accomplishments.

- Did one of them influence the other?
- Did they ever cross paths or work on the same issues?

- **Student Communication Product (assessment):** (unit test, written report, oral presentation, poster, etc.)

- Students will create an essay (or other product, if you prefer) comparing the lives, accomplishments, and impacts of the two activists they studied.