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Philosophy of Teaching Social Studies

Growing up, social studies was always an easier subject for me in school. I believe having older brothers who would come home with cool social studies projects, helped immensely. I was also for as long as I can remember, have always been interested in large scale wars. Things of that matter always had me interested. I can also see how students think social studies is boring. Every subject matter can be either boring, or fascinating for students. Often times the deciding factor whether a student is interested or not is the teacher.

Boring teachers do the same things over and over again. Such as reading straight from the book, or creating word for word powerpoints. Socials Studies can and more than likely will be made up partly of reading and power points. I believe that good teachers bring the stories to life. Good teachers will find out ways to capture their students attention, and interests. These teachers are the ones that don't take the easy and quick way through a lesson.

I plan on being an excellent teacher, one who really brings the text to life for the students, so they are able to make real life connections. Making connections is what teaching is all about. The more I can tap into my students personal interests, the better!