Break Out Teach Ag Day Lesson Plan

Lesson Description:
Students will work together to break into the Teach Ag Box. They will go through the worksheet to get each combination for each lock. Throughout the worksheet they are answering questions relevant to the agricultural education career path.

Objectives:
Students will develop team work skills to break open the Teach Ag box.
Students will identify important information about being an agricultural education teacher.

Materials:
Tool Box (or a box you can put locks on)
Word Lock (5 letters)
Three Combination locks (4 numbers)
Candy

Directions:
1. Create your breakout Teach Ag Box. Get the above materials. Fill your box with candy or some other prize for them getting into the box. This lesson was created with small class or group sizes in mind (no more than 10 kids). It may be beneficial for you to make more than one box depending on size of your class(es).
2. Put your three combination locks on first (looping them together). Then put your word lock on last.
3. Allow kids to do the activity.
4. After they have broken into the box then they may get their candy and you will debrief.
5. Have students fill out the conclusion questions after they have opened the box. These questions allow the students to debrief from the activity and really reflect on the career of agricultural education. I made conclusion questions 10 points, 1 point taken off for not having complete sentences.
6. Tip: If the students are struggling the find answers tell them to research online. All information as found on Google, the NAAE website or our Georgia Ag Ed Website.

Combinations:
Lock #1: RALAE
Lock #2: 2332
Lock #3: 4114
Lock #4: 6921
KEY for worksheet

Lock #1: Word Lock Clue

Directions: Fill in the blanks. The 3rd letter of each word is the letter that needs to be entered in the word lock (it will not create a word).

Agriculture: Something we need to survive
Teacher: Someone who helps you gain knowledge
Owl: Based on true knowledge and ripened with wisdom
FFA: The National _____ Organization
SAE: Experiential learning outside the classroom

Lock #2: Combination Lock

Directions: The answer you get will be the number on the combination lock. The first answer will be the first number on the lock, second answer will be the second number on the lock and so forth.

1) The average Ag Teacher salary in Georgia?
   1. 50,132
   2. 43,473
   3. 39,521
   4. 33,612

2) The number of agriculture teachers in Georgia?
   1. 350
   2. 401
   3. 538
   4. 665

3) There were _____ unfilled Ag Education programs left unfilled in region V in 2020.
   1. 0
   2. 13
   3. 20
   4. 25

4) There are _______ Ag Ed programs in Georgia.
   1. 200
   2. 389
   3. 400
   4. 1232
Lock #3: Combination Lock

Directions: The answer you get will be the number on the combination lock. The first answer will be the first number on the lock, second answer will be the second number on the lock and so forth.

1) High school ag teachers can teach a variety of courses, they have ____ different options.
   1. 7
   2. 24
   3. 56
   4. 47

2) There are ___ post-secondary institutions in Georgia that offer teacher preparation in Ag Ed.
   1. 4
   2. 1
   3. 5
   4. 2

3) There are more than ___ FFA members in Georgia.
   1. 77,000
   2. 72,000
   3. 62,000
   4. 57,000

4) Georgia Ag Ed is made up of ____ regions and ____ areas.
   1. 2, 4
   2. 4, 8
   3. 5, 10
   4. 3, 6

Lock #4: Combination Lock: Interview with an Ag Teacher Word Bank – MAKE THIS PERSONAL TO YOUR EXPERIENCE.

Directions: Fill in the blanks with a word in the word bank. Use the number from the word you fill in to get your combination to open the lock. The first answer will be the first number on the lock, second answer will be the second number on the lock and so forth.

1) What is your favorite part of being an Ag Teacher?
   • Everyday is a different (6) day

2) What was your SAE in High School?
   • I worked on a cattle (9) farm as well as showed steers and heifers.

3) Why is it important to teach agriculture?
   • Many people today do not know where their food comes from and allows others to scare them into thinking their food is harmful. It is important to constantly educate (2) on where their food comes from.

4) Why did you choose Ag Education as a career?
   • I choose Ag education as a career because I have a passion for agriculture and want to share it with others. I want to watch students succeed. Success (1) in students and my passion for agriculture really drove me to be an Ag Teacher.

Conclusion Questions

Directions: Please write in complete sentences. One point will be taken away for not having complete sentences. Worth 10 points.

What was one interesting thing you learned about being an agricultural education teacher? [2 points]

Would you consider a career in agricultural education? Why or why not? [4 Points]

What was difficult about this activity? [2 points]

What was easy about this activity? [2 points]
Teach Ag Breakout Box: Instructions

Follow the instructions for each lock in order to get into your box. If you struggle to find the answers, look at the NAAE website or the Georgia Ag Ed website to find your answers.

Group Members: ____________________________________________

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