

App Developer: Types of Governments

Adventure Description:

In this adventure, you will think like an app developer and create an app for kids to play on their tablets.

Activity

Step 1: Background Information on Types of Governments (5 minutes)

- Show Video: Types of Governments.
- As a class, discuss how different types of governments have different types of leaders. These leaders also come to power in different ways.
- Remind students that an app developer is someone who creates computer programs and games for phones or tablets. In this activity, they will create a game to explain to kids the different types of governments!

Step 2: Set Up (5 minutes)

- Divide the class into pairs or small groups. Have each group go to a different area of the classroom so they have space to work.
- Assign a type of government to each group: democracy, dictatorship, or monarchy.

Step 3: Planning the Game (10-15 minutes)

- Pass out Handout: Planning Your Game to students. Explain to students that each group will now plan how their game will work. Have groups answer the questions on their handout.
- As groups are working, remind students to use "school-appropriate" examples of rules or ways that the leader would punish people who live in their country.

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Step 4: Making Wireframes (20 minutes)

- Explain to students that they will now create a wireframe for their app. They will make the home screen, level 1, and level 2.
- Have students complete Handout: Wireframe (there are ages 1-3).
- On each wireframe page, there is a suggestion for what the screen can show. Remind students that they can use these suggestions or come up with their own ideas.
- Remind students that the purpose of the wireframe is to outline how their game will work and what people will see on the screens.

Step 5: Wrap Up (5 minutes)

- Have groups present their wireframes to the class. Each group should explain what type of government their game focuses on and how the game will work.
- As a class, discuss how the games might have been different if the groups had a different type of government!

Materials List

Provided online:

• Video: Types of Governments

• Handout: Planning Your Game

Handout: Wireframe

Not Provided online (each group needs):

• Colored pencils, markers, pens

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