Title
Cause and effect within the Lakota Banishment story

Grade Level
Elementary ELA, 3rd grade

Theme
Cause and effect within the Lakota Banishment story

Duration
1-2 days

Goal
Students will classify similarities and differences in a text, organize sentences in order to retell a topic, and identify cause and effect within a text. They will understand that texts are told in an order for it to make sense and that every action has a cause and effect relationship.

Objectives
Students will be able to…
1. Retell the Banishment story
2. Sequence events of the Banishment story using a graphic organizer
3. Ask and answer questions about the story with a partner, explaining WHY each event happened
4. Apply the concept to the anchor text of Lesson 5

South Dakota Standards
3.RI.8 Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

Cultural Concept
Students will explore the Lakota Banishment story to gain a better understanding of a cause/effect relationship within a text.

Cultural Background
Currently, the students are working on identifying cause and effect within a text. The Banishment story, or “When the People Laughed at Hanwi” clearly exemplifies the way events in a story have an effect on characters’ actions or vice versa. For example, Iktomi convinces Kanka that she should have the power of the gods because of the beauty and power of her family, which causes Kanka to become power-hungry and assist Iktomi, despite his reputation as a trickster.

Student Activities
Students will follow along with the story and discuss as a group. They will then partner up and put the sentence strips in the correct sequence on their desks. Once they’ve put the strips in order correctly, they will use arrows to demonstrate which actions/events caused which effects within the story. The class will come back together and share out their ideas with the group as we chart them onto paper.

Resources
Sentence strips
Arrows
Pencils
Chart paper

Assessment
Cause and effect worksheet
1. Name one cause and effect from the Banishment story
2. Name one cause and effect from the anchor text Roberto Clemente

References

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