

Introduction to Quakerism

Length: 10-15 minutes

Grades: 2nd- 4th Grade

Materials:

- Pens/Pencils
- Photos/Virtual Tour of Arch Street Meeting House

Objective:

- This activity will allow students to understand that there is a religion group known as Quakers
- Know three differences between Quakers and other religions
- How Quakers put their faith into practice

Activity:

Introduction: After completing the 360 tour of the West Room:

(a) While looking at the picture/tour ask the students:

- What thoughts or observations come to the student while looking at the photo/tour?
- What are some differences that they see from other places of worship that they have visited or where they worship?

(b) Have the students sit in silence for a few minutes. Let the students know while they are sitting in silence that if they feel moved to speak, they may stand up and share to the class.

- Let the class know that this is how the Quaker community at Arch Street Meeting House worships.

Vocabulary:

The following words may be introduced/incorporated into the lesson plan:

- Quakers
- Friends
- Religious Society of Friends
- Meeting for Worship
- Meeting House