

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER



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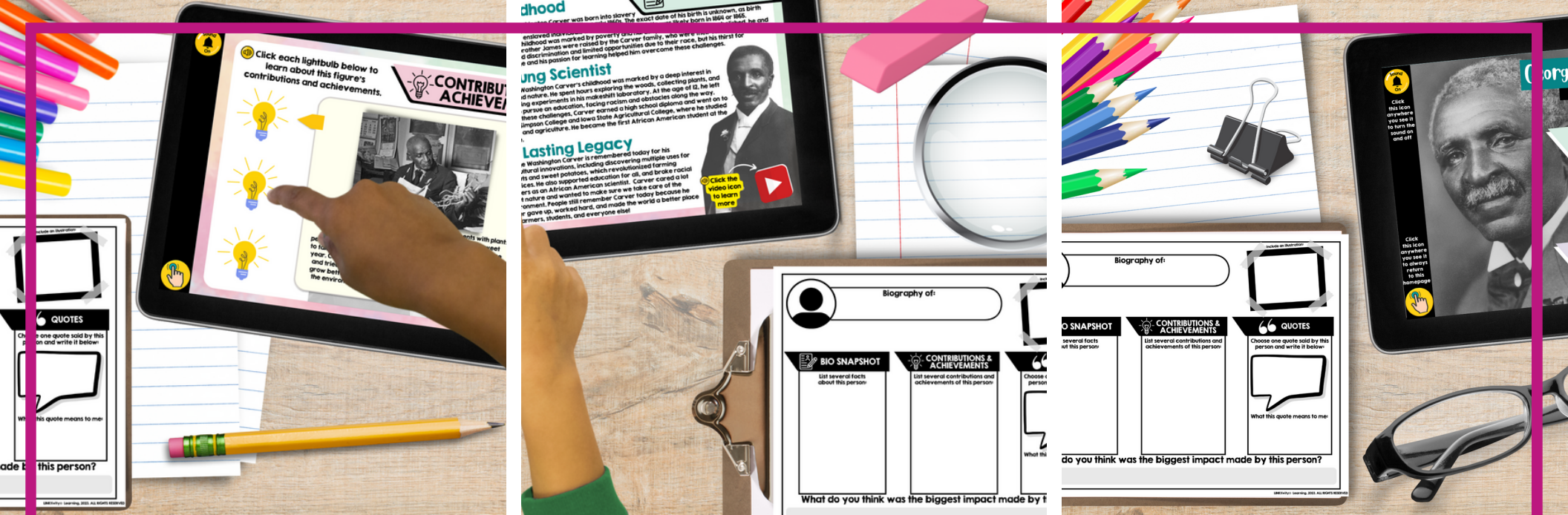
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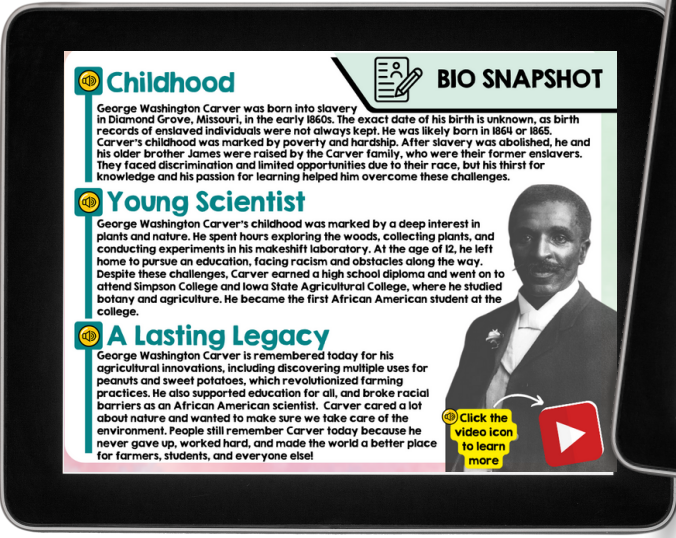
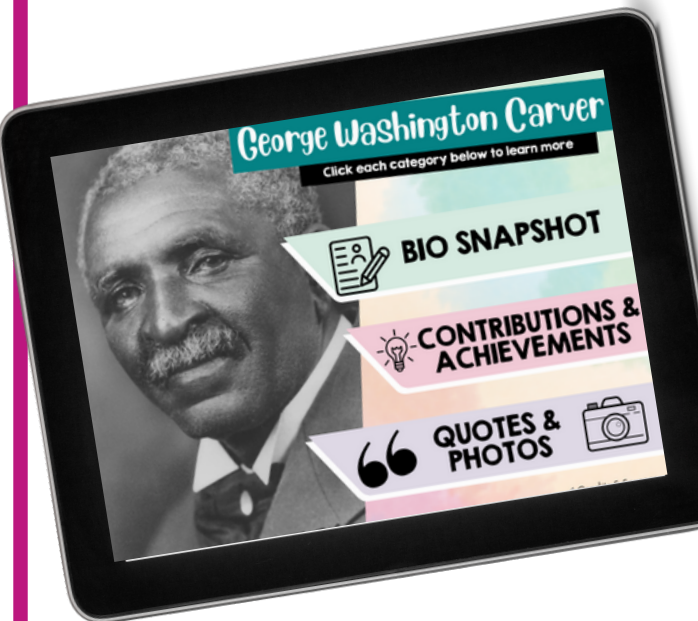


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George Washington Carver was a prominent African American scientist and inventor who made significant contributions in the field of agriculture. Born into slavery in the early 1860s, Carver overcame numerous obstacles to become one of the most respected botanists of his time. He is best known for his research on peanuts and sweet potatoes, discovering multiple uses for these crops and promoting sustainable farming practices. Carver's innovative spirit and dedication to education continue to inspire generations, as he became a pioneer for African American scientists and left an indelible mark on agricultural science. In this Mini-Biography on George Washington Carver, students will learn about his early life, his career as a ground-breaking scientist, and his lasting legacy.



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George Washington Carver did a lot of experiments with plants during his career. He studied crops like peanuts and sweet potatoes. His experiments helped him find many ways to use peanuts, like making oil, milk, and butter. He also taught people how to take care of the soil by changing which crops they planted each year. Carver even looked into how plants can be used as medicine and tried to make new kinds of plants. He wanted to help farmers grow better crops and find new ways to make farming better for the environment. Carver's experiments still inspire scientists and farmers today.

George Washington Carver

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Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom.





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Childhood

George Washington Carver was born into slavery in Diamond Grove, Missouri, in the early 1860s. The exact date of his birth is unknown, as birth records of enslaved individuals were not always kept. He was likely born in 1864 or 1865. Carver's childhood was marked by poverty and hardship. After slavery was abolished, he and his older brother James were raised by the Carver family, who were their former enslavers. They faced discrimination and limited opportunities due to their race, but his thirst for knowledge and his passion for learning helped him overcome these challenges.

Young Scientist

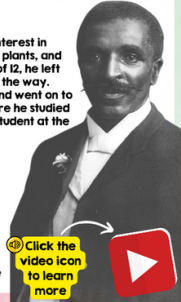

George Washington Carver's childhood was marked by a deep interest in plants and nature. He spent hours exploring the woods, collecting plants, and conducting experiments in his makeshift laboratory. At the age of 12, he left home to pursue an education, facing racism and obstacles along the way. Despite these challenges, Carver earned a high school diploma and went on to attend Simpson College and Iowa State Agricultural College, where he studied botany and agriculture. He became the first African American student at the college.

A Lasting Legacy

George Washington Carver is remembered today for his agricultural innovations, including discovering multiple uses for peanuts and sweet potatoes, which revolutionized farming practices. He also supported education for all, and broke racial barriers as an African American scientist. Carver cared a lot about nature and wanted to make sure we take care of the environment. People still remember Carver today because he never gave up, worked hard, and made the world a better place for farmers, students, and everyone else!

BIO SNAPSHOT



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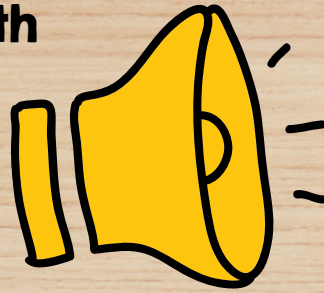
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Did you know that George Washington Carver did more than just experiments with peanuts and sweet potatoes? He also worked with plants to make different colors of dye. He wanted to find natural ways to color fabrics and other things. Carver tried out different plants and ways to get the colors out of them. He believed that plants had lots of uses, not just for growing food. Carver's experiments with dyes showed his curiosity and how he wanted to learn about everything plants could do.

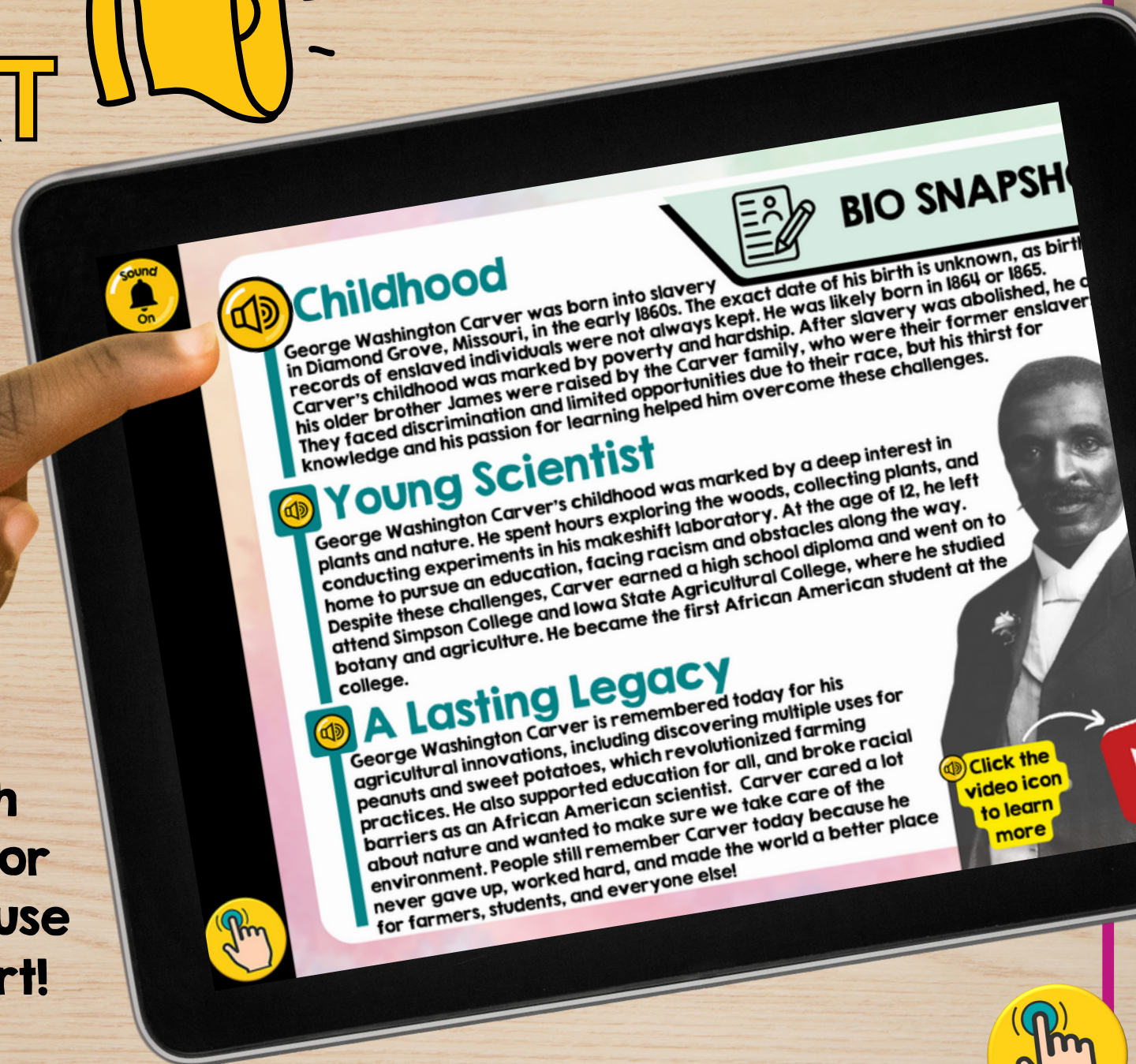




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Student & Teacher Resources

Recording Sheet for LINKtivity

Lesson Plan

LESSON

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

What is a biography?
Who is (specific person) and what makes him/her unique?



Note: This lesson plan can be used with any mini-biography LINKtivity.

Standards Covered

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Materials Needed

Biography LINKtivity®
KWL student sheet
Biography student sheet (optional)
Chart paper/markers OR SMARTboard/Whiteboard

Teacher Preparation

Preview the mini-biography(ies) that you have selected for your students. Plan for how you will share the LINKtivity with students (ex. assign link in Google Classroom, prepare QR codes, etc). Prepare a KWL chart on chart paper or SMARTboard/whiteboard. Print the KWL and biography student sheets.

Lesson Introduction (5-10 min.)

- Introduce the essential questions.
- Introduce the person(s) your students will be exploring and provide each student with a **KWL student sheet**.
- **ASK:** What do you know about this person? What do you want to know about this person?
- Have students complete the first two columns of the chart. Note: If your whole class is exploring the same person, you can complete this chart together on a SMARTboard/whiteboard. If each student is completing a different person, have them complete a KWL for their specific person.

Lesson Activity (20 mins)

Have students complete a **Biography LINKtivity**, either one assigned to them or of their own selection. While navigating the LINKtivity, students have the option to complete the **biography student sheet**.

Optional Extension Activities

- Take virtual field trips to museums, historical sites, or places related to the person's life using a tool like Google Earth.
- Have students record a podcast episode about their person.
- Host a wax museum event where students dress up and take on the persona of their chosen individual to educate others.

Lesson Conclusion (2-5 min.)

Review essential questions and have students share their responses in light of what they have learned. Have students complete the final column of their KWL chart (what I learned).

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What this quote means to me:

What do you think was the biggest impact made by this person?

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