7th Grade Social Studies Lesson Plan (Japan After WWII to Modern Era)

Date	To Be Determined
Guiding Question	How did Japan as a nation progress after World War II leading to the modern era?
Objectives	The learner will analyze the ways in which Japanese society progressed following the end of World War II. The learner will evaluate how Japan has transitioned from the aftermath of World War II to a prosperous and model nation on the international sphere.
Materials	America Textbook Interactive Notebook Gallery Walk Booklet Pen/Pencil Primary Source Photographs (NOTE: May be modified through the use of technological resources.)
Teacher Input	Students will be guided on how to complete their gallery walk and analyze primary sources photographs using a booklet that displays how Japanese society advanced following the events of World War II until the modern era. In addition, the instructor will review the procedures for students to transition into groups and to complete their assessment on Modern Japan.
Activities/ Tasks: Presentation Exploration Practice	Anticipatory Set: Students will watch Rebuilding Japan after World War II and take notes from their observations. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JfdXKuOPd14 Students will view photographs and read primary sources that detail the lives of citizens living in Japan after World War II until the modern era through a gallery walk. Students will answer questions based on news articles and images of Japan during this time frame in their booklet/interactive notebook. Following this students will be arranged in groups of 3-4 reviewing resources dealing with various aspects

of modern Japan. They discuss it as a group and complete the assessment questions based on their interpretation of the sources. **Assessment** Students will complete the following exit questions based on the video, readings, and analysis of primary source images. 1. What sort of changes will Japan make in its government following World War II? 2. What does the Japanese "developmental state" look like and how successful is it? 3. How does Japan choose to rebuild its industrial economy? 4. What type of economy does Japan have and how does it work? 5. How does Japan interact politically with other nations following the war? 6. Does the social system of Japan change following the war? If so, how? 7. How does Japan explain their decisions and actions during the war? 8. How does the Cold War affect Japan? Specifically, what are its foreign relations policies with the United States and the Soviet Union? 9. How has Japan influenced American culture? 10. Reflection Inquiry Connect with Current Events-Recently, following the pandemic and Olympics in Tokyo what do you believe the future holds for the nation of Japan General News (Primary Source Images and Informtion) Resources https://history.state.gov/milestones/1945-1952/japan-reconstruction https://www.theatlantic.com/photo/2014/03/japan-in-the-1950s/100697/ https://gz.com/1423834/modern-japan-is-turning-150-heres-what-you-need-to-know/ https://mymodernmet.com/modern-japan-15-photos/ Internet Sources Information packets included: (with sources) Modern government structure http://www.japan-zone.com/omnibus/history3.shtml http://www.japan-zone.com/omnibus/government.shtml http://www.indiana.edu/~easc/resources/korea_slides/index.htm International relations http://www.apec.org/ http://www.mofa.go.jp/region/index.html http://www.usjapan.org/programs/current/futureforum/index.html Modern educational system http://www.jsnet.org/education-in-japan.html http://www.indiana.edu/~easc/scenarios/index.html Modern

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