



One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions

MORRICE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS

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MORRICE, MI

Grade 3RD



Governor Jennifer M. Granholm and First Gentleman Daniel C. Mulhern's "
"One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions"
Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Abby
School: Morrice Elementary School
School District: Morrice Area Schools
Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
Lead Teacher: Kari Ann Jones

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. On
Christmas morning, we open presents. We drink
eggnog and eat French toast.

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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned what tradition is. A tradition is anything that you do every year. Like a lot of people celebrate Christmas! And Thanksgiving! I drew a gingerbread house on a piece of wood. Then I painted over my drawing. Now it's going to be a good Christmas ornament at the Governor's Mansion.

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Student's First Name Only: Alex
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

What I learned about traditions is that they're something you do every year. This is what I painted on my ornament. I painted a star that is yellow, blue, red, and black and has white all around it. I painted it those colors because I am a color blender and I am good at it. I painted a snowflake on the back. I put some glue on it and sprinkled it with see through glitter.

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Student's First Name Only: Amanda
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that celebrating Christmas is what a lot of people celebrate every year. I painted a robin and a tree because the robin is a symbol of Michigan. My class printed a Christmas tree ornament for the Governor's Mansion. I will not get it back from the governor. I hope she will like it because I do.

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Student's First Name Only: Ashley

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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. On
Christmas we go sledding and decorate the tree.
After we go sledding, we go in and have hot
chocolate.

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Student's First Name Only: Brandon
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. At my dad's house we decorate our Christmas tree and we have hot cocoa. Sometimes we go to my great-grandma's house.

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Student's First Name Only: Chandler

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Lead Teacher: Kari Ann Jones

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. Every Christmas we go to a cousin's house. Sometimes I will go to a grandpa's house.

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Student's First Name Only: Clyde
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

I learned about celebrating a tradition ---
something you like to do every year. For example, my
grandma and I make a gingerbread house. I painted a
gingerbread house on a piece of wood. It was really
fun. And I am going to the Governor's Mansion and
see my ornament on her Christmas tree.

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Student's First Name Only: Colton
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Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

I learned that traditions are something that people do every year. Like maybe someone goes sledding every year or goes snowmobiling every year.

Something that I do every year is tie a rope to the sled and then tie it to my go-kart and pull people around on the snow. It's really fun because sometimes you might crash and get snow in your face. I love winter and when I go sledding I see the state tree, the white pine. I painted a white pine on my ornament.

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While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. On Christmas, my family makes a huge list of things that we want. One time, I put a computer game on it and I got it. My brother wishes for all kinds of crazy things. My sister wishes for makeup and dolls. I don't know why but it creeps me out. Well, anyway, we fill up a bucket with the wrappings of the presents and dump it on our dad.

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Student's First Name Only: Dakota
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**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned about traditions. Our class painted some wood for the Christmas tree in the Governor's Mansion. My family and I celebrate Christmas like a lot of other families do. We decorate a pine tree every year on Christmas. I painted a robin, flag, and a brook trout to decorate the Governor's Christmas tree.

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Student's First Name Only: Emily
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that celebrating Christmas with my mom is a tradition. On Christmas my mom and I always decorate the tree and Santa gives us gifts. We have a lovely dinner.

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Student's First Name Only: Ethan
School: Morrice Elementary School
School District: Morrice Area Schools
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. On Christmas we have to decorate the tree. We eat lunch and have cookies and chocolate milk. I have a snowball fight and make the family snowman. I open presents and I have fun.

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Student's First Name Only: Gavin

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While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that visiting relatives on Christmas break is a tradition. Every Christmas break, I go to my aunt's or my grandma's house, sometimes both. When I go to my aunt's, I usually stay there for a week, and come back. When I go to my grandma's house, we give each other presents. I put up stockings and wait for Santa. The next morning I go downstairs and open presents. The End!

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Student's First Name Only: Jacob
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. Every Christmas my family decorates our Christmas tree and has hot chocolate.

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Student's First Name Only: Jadyn
School: Morrice Elementary School
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. On the night before Christmas, we always have a feast. After that we put out milk and cookies. After that I open presents.

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Student's First Name Only: Jake
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that a tradition is something you might do every year. I also learned the state bird was a robin, the state mammal was a white tailed deer, the state fish was a brook trout, and the state reptile was a painted turtle. I painted a brook trout on a piece of wood. I gave him a Christmas hat and made him flying over the snow. I think it look funny, yet kind of cute. I think it was fun learning about traditions.

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Student's First Name Only: Jamie
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. Every Christmas my family gets presents and we save turkey from Thanksgiving for Christmas. My sister and me have snowball fights. We make snowballs and throw them.

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Student's First Name Only: Jaymie
School: Morrice Elementary School
School District: Morrice Area Schools
Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. On Christmas morning, we make our own ornaments. I made one and I put two candy canes together and it's a heart. At Christmas, we turn off all the lights and turn on the tree lights. We get candles and flashlights. We take turns to put the angel on. It looks pretty. We love Christmas.

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Student's First Name Only: Julie
School: Morrice Elementary School
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions," I learned...

A tradition is a thing that is something that you do yearly. I learned the state tree is the white pine. You can celebrate holidays by decorating your Christmas tree. I painted a present on the wooden ornament. I chose a present because I always get to open presents on Christmas. It will hang at the Governor' Mansion.

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Student's First Name Only: Kathleen
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that traditions are a special way of celebrating a holiday. Our class made ornaments for the Governor's Christmas tree. I painted the white pine tree with a snowflake on top. It is about winter. Also, I put the American flag on it too.

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Student's First Name Only: Kayla
School: Morrice Elementary School
School District: Morrice Area Schools
Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
Lead Teacher: Kari Ann Jones

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that traditions are a special way of celebrating a holiday. My family and I celebrate by giving gifts. Our class made ornaments for the Governor's Mansion. My ornament has the white pine, presents, a warm fireplace, and a comfy chair and a star.

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Student's First Name Only: Kaylee
School: Morrice Elementary School
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my gramas' is a tradition. My grama has a big stocking that she fills to the top. It has candy. We put out our tree, lights, and bears. We open presents. We play in the snow and have hot cocoa. I go to my grama's house on Christmas Eve and go to my other grama's house and aunt's.

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Student's First Name Only: Madalyn
School: Morrice Elementary School
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Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned to draw a gingerbread man. I painted it brown and black. I really liked to do it. I hope it looks nice in the Governor's Mansion. I hope Governor Granholm likes it.

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Student's First Name Only: Madison
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned how to decorate a wood ornament. I painted a Christmas tree on my block of wood. I painted a white pine tree because it is the state tree. I also painted some snow flakes and a gingerbread man. My ornament will be put in the Governor's Mansion. I hope she will like it.

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Student's First Name Only: Malory
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned what tradition means. It means you celebrate something every year! I painted a present on my piece of wood because that's what my family tradition is, giving presents! My piece of wood is going to be in the Governor's Mansion. I won't get it back. I hope Governor Granholm likes it.

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Student's First Name Only: Miranda
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with my family and relatives is a tradition. We go to my Grama's house and have dinner and open presents. Every holiday we do this and everybody comes. We decorate a tree every year, put out cookies and milk for Santa, and we put presents under the tree.

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Student's First Name Only: Nik
School: Morrice Elementary School
School District: Morrice Area Schools
Grade and Age: 3rd Grade /
Lead Teacher: Kari Ann Jones

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas with a family gathering is a tradition. You decorate a tree with bulbs. You put milk and cookies out and then Santa comes. He leaves presents under the tree.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Olivia
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned about traditions. Traditions are things you do each year. I also learned about the state bird (robin), the state tree (white pine), and the state flower (apple blossom). I also painted a wooden ornament. I painted a fish with a Christmas hat on! It looks pretty funny! The fish is a trout (state fish). I like fish. It was fun painting on wood. People are going to hang my ornament on a tree in the Governor's Mansion. I won't get it back, but I hope Governor Granholm likes it.

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Student's First Name Only: Sarah
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LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that celebrating Christmas is a tradition. I do one thing for Christmas. I put a tree up at my mom's house and I put cookies and milk out. Santa leaves crumbs going to the basement.

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Student's First Name Only: Shelby
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned about traditions. My tradition is about Christmas and presents. I learned that you have to wrap them really good so they will look really pretty. Christmas is awesome because you get to get a lot of presents. I painted a piece of wood. It was fun. Christmas is something you celebrate.

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Student's First Name Only: Taylor
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that celebrating Christmas with my family is a tradition. Every Christmas my family drags a big, green tree into the house, puts decorations on the tree, and then we put a bunch of presents under the tree for everyone. Then the next day we wake up and open our presents. We go to my family members' house to open our gifts. After we are all done, we go home. It is very fun. That is how I have Christmas.

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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that we all celebrate things every year. Like Thanksgiving and Christmas too. I celebrate Christmas by opening presents. My family has Christmas as a tradition. My ornament has a lot of presents painted on it. I think that the governor will like it.

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Student's First Name Only: Toby
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that Christmas is a tradition. We go over to my
grandma's house and have dinner. We decorate
the tree. We open presents.

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Student's First Name Only: Tristan
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LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned that the state bird is the robin and I learned what the state tree is. It is the white pine tree! I love learning about the state and we even found out a tradition is something that you celebrate every year. My classmates and I made an ornament out of a piece of wood. We drew a picture on it and painted on it. It will hang on the Governor's tree!!!! And you now know that Michigan is one of the best states to live in.

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Student's First Name Only: Zach
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**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I learned about the state flag. I chose the state flag because it is the flag of Michigan. I painted the flag on wood for a decoration. I made it because it is special to Michigan. I made it for a Christmas tree in the Governor's Mansion. It was fun to make.