Education Kits

Education Kits are a great classroom resource. Providing school groups with an introduction to the core collections of University Museums, Education Kits contain objects, curriculum activities, and a variety of instructional materials that engage students in hands-on learning. These kits are unique resources to supplement your lessons and encourage learning through activities.

Glassworks

A pivotal point in American glass production occurred in 1825 at the New England Glass Company with Deming Jarvis's invention of the Glass Pressing Machine. This highly efficient method of pouring molten glass into a patterned mold eventually led to the mass manufacture of affordable glass for utilitarian use and aesthetic enjoyment. Use this kit to explore a 100-year period of evolution and progress in American pressed glass production.

Contents:
(1) Glass by Julian Fox
(1) GlassWords reproducible crossword
(1) glass Matching reproducible worksheet
(1) glassworks map and game board reproducible
(1) clear glass bell
(3) glass Coke bottles
(1) purble glass goblet
(1) green glass candle stick holder
(1) clear wine glass
(1) bag of marbles
(1) small bag of pressed glass molds
(1) 2 piece frosted glass oval dish
(3) glass bottles with cork top
(1) bag of glass rods
(1) bag of flat rounded glass beads

Education Kits are available for loan, at no cost, to educators for 2 to 4 week periods by contacting Nancy Girard at nancyg@iastate.edu or 515-294-3342.

Also available are numerous curriculum guides and support media including videos, DVDs and slides. For more information, contact Iowa State University Museums at 515-294-3342.

Other available Education Kits:
Chemistry and the Golden Age of Art Glass
Christian Petersen
Glass Place Settings
Grandmother’s Trunk

Land of the Fragile Giants
Quilts
Women’s Work