Social Studies, Grade 8 Unit II: Lesson D6

Mock Trial: Nathaniel Bacon



Research the life of Nathaniel Bacon.

Consider what would have happened if Bacon had stood trial in Virginia after his uprising was put down by the English soldiers. With other students, prepare to act out part of Bacon's imaginary trial. Write the parts of Bacon, the judge, lawyers, witnesses, and ordinary citizens.

Conduct the trial in front of the class.