**Lesson Plan #4-Sarah Jenkins**

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| **Title: American Leaders Relay Writing** |
| **Topic: Recall/write important facts about American leaders.** |
| **Grade Level: 1** |
| **Standards of Learning:** |
| **1.12 b,g Writing: The student will write to communicate ideas by focusing on one topic and sharing writing with others.**  **1.2 History: The student will describe American leader’s contributions to our country with emphasis on George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.** |
| **Activity: Relay Writing about American Leaders**  **1. Students create groups of 5 by “high-fiving” ten classmates. Stop. Look for five students closest together to create a group. (Teacher choice)**  **2. Provide chart paper for each group. The five sentence starter columns across the top are:**  **George Washington He The Also When**  **(Below grade level or struggling writers) Provide vocabulary word bank for assistance: Virginia, leader, president, farmer, Father of our Country, born, brave.**  **3. Each student in a group writes a sentence until all 5 sentences are written.**  **4. Groups raise hands as they finish.**  **5. Groups stand and share aloud.**  **6. Either the group who finished first is declared the winner or the group with the most facts is the winner.**  **7. Continue with Abraham Lincoln, using:**  **Abraham Lincoln He The When Also**  **Word Bank: cabin, taught, president, honest, read.**  **CTA Source: Julie Slykhuis** |
| **Time Frame:** |
| **10-15 minutes as *release*/movement during Social Studies.** |
| **Assessment: teacher observation, group effort, recall facts through writing** |