

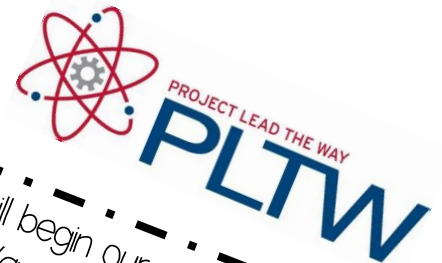
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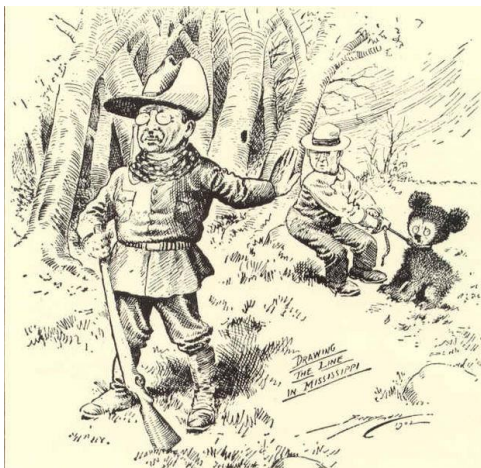
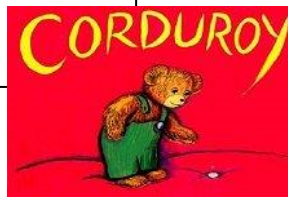
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This is what we studied:

- The word of the week: *perseverance*- we talked about what it means to be able to persevere and work to reach goals.
- We dug deeper into our unit of study over bears, and discovered the origin and history of teddy bears (tied in President Theodore Roosevelt).
- The students are researching their choice of black bear, brown (grizzly) bear, or panda bear.
- The students are also choosing one of four tasks to complete: Design a map of the setting from one of the bear stories we read, design a game using buttons (ties in with *Conduroy*) and write the rules for the game, make a bear poster including interesting facts and pictures, and write a letter to your favorite bear from one of the stories we read.
- We read *Conduroy* and *Berlioz the Bear* by Jan Brett.
- One student/night has taken our class teddy bear (voted on and named "Fluff Puff" ← HAHHA) home each night to read with and draw/write about what he/she did with the bear.
- We LOVE having our bears at school with us!



We will begin our new Project Lead the Way unit next week. We are going to study animal adaptations! The kids are going to love it! Our bear unit should transition into this project very well! Make sure to ask your child what they are learning about 😊



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Jan 13- Scholastic orders due!

Jan 16- MLK JR. DAY- NO SCHOOL!!

Feb 16- FUEL UP!!

