Rivers of Georgia

LESSON 2

Standards/Elements
SS2G1 The student will locate major topographical features of Georgia and will describe how these features define Georgia’s surface.
a. Locate all the geographic regions of Georgia: Blue Ridge Mountains, Piedmont, Coastal Plain, Valley and Ridge, and Appalachian Plateau.
b. Locate the major rivers: Ocmulgee, Oconee, Altamaha, Savannah, St. Marys, Chattahoochee, and Flint

Essential Questions
Why are rivers important?
Which rivers are the major rivers of Georgia?
Where are the major rivers of Georgia located?

Materials needed
Chart paper, and Georgia map worksheets.

Lesson
Teacher will begin by asking students why rivers are important to Georgia. Teacher will then ask students to name rivers of Georgia. The teacher will then divide the class into seven groups. Each group will be given a map of Georgia. They are to draw the path of their assigned river and write two facts about it.

Assessment
Groups will share their projects with the class. Then students will be given another map to record all seven of the largest rivers in Georgia individually. They are to label each of the seven rivers on their maps.

Ideas for Extending the Lesson
Teachers can further research the Chattahoochee River. Students can report on its origin, its uses, and its importance to Roswell and the Roswell Mill.