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L5R PowerPoint Lesson Plan

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### Subject

This project was not for a certain class, but for my after school students who stay to play card and Role Playing games. The primary of which is called Legend of the Five Rings.

### Grade(s)

The grade levels in the Cesar Chavez Gaming Society range from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>. There are also 3 special education students who participate on a regular basis. There could be anywhere from 3 to 13 students in my room after school on any given day.

### Objectives

The students will be able to identify the 7 great clans that make up the Empire of Rokugan. They will also have a basic understanding of what each clan does within the Empire as well as what families belong to which clan.

### Standards

Because this is Extra Curricular, I do not think that any of the subject material would be covered in the National or Stand standards. I do believe that because technology is involved there may be some NETS for students. The NETS for students I found that may be covered in this presentation are 1, 2, 5, 6.

### Materials

I will have an up to date PC with a projector to show the presentation on the board. The PC must also have Microsoft Office installed to be able to play the presentation. The PC must also have external speakers so that the students can hear. To play the Role Playing game the students will need a copy of Legend of the Five Rings Role Playing Game 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition which I would supply. There are other source materials available but not necessary to play the game or to use this PowerPoint.

For character creation, the students will need work paper, a pencil, calculator, and a blank character sheet. As I stated before, there are also supplemental materials available for each clan for the students to use if they wish, but they are not necessary to play.

### Classroom Organization

My classroom is set up with 3 columns of 2 desks that go back 5 rows for a total of 30 desks. There are also 2 large white desks on each side of the room, which are mostly used for books and papers. The desks will be set up differently depending on what game is being played. For example, if a CCG or card game is being played then 2 desks will be set up to face each other. If a miniatures game like Battletech or HeroClix is being played then the larger desks at the side would have to be used. For Role Playing you need to seat 4 to 6 players at one table with a GM

or Game Master so you would need the large tables set up next to each other and everyone sits around them. To view the PowerPoint the regular seating is fine.

### Procedures

If I was using a larger PowerPoint Presentation to teach the students how to create a character from scratch then the time limit and step-by-step procedure would be much longer. For the very simple presentation that I designed for this assignment it would not take very long at all. In fact while I would be working with the majority of the students, I could allow a student to work privately at the computer to learn about the clans. The other option is to make it into a lesson in front of the class with everyone reading together the lesson on the clans and then as a group answer the questions that accompany the presentation.

The correct answers for the presentation are as follows:

#### Question 1

The colors of the Dragon Clan are Green and Yellow. A hint is that in the presentation, each clan's lesson is in the colors of that clan.

#### Question 2

The Clan with the largest Shugenja population is the Phoenix Clan with 3 of their 4 families being Shugenja.

#### Question 3

The Scorpion are the Emperor's Underhand. They are the clan of spies and assassins.

#### Question 4

Duty is more important than honor to the Crab. If they fail in their duty, then the rest of the Empire will fall.

#### Question 5

The Crane are a very honorable clan, filled with artisans, dancers, poets, and courtiers. The Crane seek excellence in all that they do.

#### Question 6

Although very honorable, the Lion are also very aggressive and will fight at the slightest hint of offense against them.

#### Question 7

Since the Unicorn were roaming the lands outside the Empire for over 800 years and have only been back home within the past 300 years and also because they brought back with them many strange and unknown customs, they are considered outsiders.

#### Question 8

The Crab protect the Empire from the Shadowlands. The Shadowlands are located to the south and are corrupted by the taint of evil from the Kami, Fu Leng.

The Shadowlands do not have a slide in the presentation but if you read closely you got the answer in the Crab slide.

#### Variations

The lesson can be built upon to include other faction within the Empire. There could be a whole series of presentations that deal with different subjects, such as customs, skills, abilities, advantages and disadvantages, I also plan on making a presentation with step-by-step instructions to character creation and/or rules on how to combat in the game.

The lesson can be modified for different learning styles, more pictures, and audio files to accompany the reading are a very good example. I could even make a version in Spanish for our ESL students.