LESSON PLAN: THE IMPACT OF THE PETERLOO MASSACRE

OVERVIEW:

This lesson reflects on the legacy of the Peterloo Massacre and guides students through some of the key events that happened as a consequence. Students are invited to analyse the impact of the Peterloo Massacre and reflect on how protest has changed.

In addition to the slide decks we have also included a knowledge organiser, to familiarise students with new terms and a series of source analysis worksheets. Please use these as you see fit, for suggestions, please see the teacher guidance.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- To understand why the events of the Peterloo Massacre are important today
- To creatively explore contemporary campaigning issues

SUITABLE FOR: A

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

Age 7-11

Knowledge organiser

RESOURCES:

- Slide deck
- Worksheets
- Knowledge organiser
- Peterloo1819.co.uk
 website

KEY ACTIVITIES:

Below is a list of activities that require external resources with an outline of the associated resources. In addition to these, there are a variety of small activities or reflection questions but these are integrated into the slides and should be easy to follow.

Activity One (slide 26) - Do you think it was worth it?

Ask students to reflect upon the Peterloo Massacre as covered in lesson two and also think about one thing they would protest about today. Write this on a post it note and share with the class.

Activity Two (slide 27) - #MyPeterloo campaign

Using the worksheet, ask students to write or make a video to share with their MP about something they would like to change today.

Activity Three (slide 29) – Rise!

Ask students to create their protest arms and participate in the Rise! mass participation creative project.

