Reflecting on the Kearns Mansion

Objectives

Students will:

✓ Reflect on their discoveries from the tour and lessons.
✓ Imagine the impacts of demolishing the Kearns Mansion.
✓ Record clues and conclusions on the Kearns Mansion Mystery History bulletin board and timeline created in Lesson 2.
✓ Summarize their tour experience in a letter to their tour guides.

Student Instruction

Ask students to share what surprised or delighted them on the Kearns Mansion field trip.

Ask class:

1 What would be lost if the Kearns Mansion were torn down tomorrow?
   How would it change what we know about the Kearns family, Salt Lake City, or Utah? How would it change South Temple? Is there anything you would miss?
   (e.g. craftsmanship, horse head over carriage house, etc.)

Student Activity/Product

Students brainstorm clues and conclusions from the tour to add to the Kearns Mansion Mystery History bulletin board and timeline. Divide students into groups. Assign each group a category from the bulletin board. Have groups record clues and conclusions on index cards and pin them on the board.

Assign students to write thank you letters to the Utah Heritage Foundation guides who led their Kearns Mansion tour. Review letter writing rules. Students will tell the guides three things about the mansion they will share with their families.

Links

Lesson 2: Discovering the Kearns Mansion Pre-Tour
Lesson 3: The Kearns Mansion in the News Pre-Tour