

The Flood of 1955

Buried in Water Video & Worksheet

Use the following questions to guide your viewing of [Mattatuck Moments: Buried in Water](#)

1. Which rivers were mainly effected by Hurricane Connie and Hurricane Diane?
2. Which other disaster in Waterbury, prior to the Flood of 1955, left a lasting impact on the city?
3. Which area(s) of waterbury was most impacted by the flood?
4. What were the biggest losses as a result of flooding?
5. While the Flood was described as cleaving the city in two, in what ways did it work to unify city residents? Give specific examples.
6. What disease outbreak did city residents fear and how did they combat its risk?

7. What steps were taken to ensure that a future disaster such as this would be avoided?

Use the following questions to guide a discussion of Buried in Water

1. What is something you learned about the Flood of 1955 from watching this video?

2. Some believe that the Flood of 1955 contributed to the downfall of industry in the Naugatuck Valley, which had reached its peak producing munitions during World War II. In what ways could the Flood have negatively impacted industry in the long run?

3. What do you learn from firsthand accounts of historical events? What do you learn from facts and data of historical events? How are they the same or different?