CREDE: Joint Productive Activity

Read the four approaches to Multicultural Curriculum Reform. Which type of approach are the following examples? Please discuss it in your group and fill out the form.

Activity	Approach: Contributions, Additive, Transformation, Social Action
Social Studies: Students study the roles of different people from the civil war from different points of view. The union soldier, confederate soldier, northern industrialist, southern plantation farmer, southern slave, northern abolitionist, wife of a confederate soldier, wife of a union soldier, etc.	
Social Studies: Students examine the history of the Eastern Empires and Byzantine era along with Western Civilization. They compare and contrast the differences and similarities.	
Science: Students research, write a report and present about famous women scientists.	
Science: Students learn about health concerns relate to lead content and examine if impoverished areas of their own community have more lead contamination. They take samples and test the water and soil. Students send their results to the health department if they find dangerous levels of lead.	
Math: Word problems are given using names of the all the students in the class. On Cinco de Mayo, the students do word problems that include Latino examples.	
Math: Real life math scenarios are given where students have to solve problems. Some examples are from rural life and others are urban examples.	
English: Students read and analyze speeches from history from famous people of different cultures. Then they write a speech using the same speech writing techniques.	
English: Students read books translated from a famous French author. They examine the points of view from another country.	

CREDE Homework

Name_____ Subject_____

Fill out the following for your subject area. You can use examples already given but alter them for all four approaches to multicultural curriculum reform.

Approach	Activity
Contributions Approach	
Additive Approach	
Transformation Approach	
Social Action Approach	

Which approach do you think is the best one to use in your classes? Why?