

Explore the World

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*Requires CleverBooks World Map



Timeframe of activity: 30-40 min

Tags: World Map, Geography, Social Study

Grade Level: K-6

App/Tech Tools: CleverBooks Geography App, device (phone/tablet)

Additional material: CleverBooks World Map

Learning Objectives:

Discover the world by using Social Studies inquiry processes and skills focused on following categories (modes):

- Geographical peculiarities of the continents
- Political structure
- Monuments and other heritage
- Flora and fauna
- Land and water animals
- Interactive weather for each season on different continents

The students are encouraged to work in the small group to find answers to questions; initiate discussions on each topic, discover and analyze data; and communicate findings and decisions.

This team activity develops collaboration, critical thinking, information search and public presentation.

Lesson Activity Part 1

Divide the class into 2-3 small groups. Each group should have CleverBooks map of the World to work with.

Address a main question to the class: **Have you ever thought of what you can see when travelling different continents?**

Initiate student's iteration with the World map and navigate them through the discovery process with suggesting to:

- Zoom in and out to explore the volcanos. Press on each volcano to see how to spell its name and hear how it's called.
- Press on each animal to see how to spell its name, hear how it's called and what sound it makes.
- Press on each plant to see how to spell its name and hear how it's called.
- Zoom in and out to explore most common weather conditions for a specific geographical location.
- Press on different countries to see how to spell its name, hear how it's called and see the national flag. You can also see additional information on the country size, population and a capital city.
- Zoom in and out to explore the most famous heritage places in different countries of the World. Press on different 3D models to see how to spell its name and hear how it's called.

Suggested questions:

Weather mode:

- What is the weather like in Africa (or any other continent)?
- How is it different to the climate with have in our country?
- Compare the climate in Europe to the climate in Africa (or any other continent).

Animal Mode:

- What animals live in Australia (or any other continent)
- What animals can you find in different parts of the world that also live in our country?
- This bird is active at night and you can find it in Europe.

Water Animals Mode:

- Which water animals can be found in around Australia (or any other continent)?

Plants Mode:

- Find a plant in Australia that has three letters "B" in its name.
- Where does Yucca brevifolia grow?

Heritage Mode:

- What are the most famous heritage attributes for each continent?
- On which continent can you find pyramids (or any other heritage attribute)?
- Find the Opera House in Australia. What is the full name?

Political Mode:

- Check the names of the countries located on different continents.
- Which country is surrounded by Germany, Poland, Slovakia and Austria (or any other combination)?
- Which African country has borders with Libya and Sudan?

Lesson Activity: Part 2

Each team select one continent to their choice (please ensure that there is no repetition between teams) and prepares a brief presentation covering all modes. Every student in a team can be responsible for one of the categories: plants, heritage, animals & water animals, weather, political.

Additional Ideas (optional):

You can use this activity with EST students. The activity helps to create connection between visual objects and learn new words (using English app voiceover) in the topic of animals, plants, countries, continents and some places of interest.

Also, you may create a search game with questions:

- Where does elephant live?
- Where can we find a baobab?
- On which continent Ireland is located? And so on...

There are 2 Easter Eggs hidden on the map of the World that open new and exciting features to learn about:

- Tectonic plates
- Climatic zones
- The Age of Discovery

***** A CLUE: look for sparkling starts outside the continents!**

You can also combine with activity with:

- CleverBooks AR Treasure Hunt
- CleverBooks AR Scavenger Hunt