

Guest Hollow's

Jr. Geography



Literature-based schedule with recipes,
videos, art, activities, and more!
Flexible and fun for grades 1-6!

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Week 1 Basic Geography					
Resources	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
History & Culture					
Scheduled book	<u>Into the Unknown: How Great Explorers Found Their Way by Land, Sea, and Air</u> - Read this book over the week. Younger students can listen to it as a read-aloud or browse the lavish and detailed illustrations.				
Hands-on, printables, etc.				Worksheet: <u>The Voyage of Magellan</u> - Read about this famous explorer and then trace his route on a map of the world.	
Geography					
Scheduled book	<u>Geography from A to Z: A Picture Glossary</u> Read this book over the week (about 9 pages per day).				
Printables - Use these throughout the week as desired.	<u>Maps & Globes cut & paste booklet</u> - Learn about the continents, oceans, latitude & longitude and the cardinal directions	<u>Landforms printable</u> - Learn about different landforms	<u>Cartoon notes: longitude</u> <u>Cartoon notes: latitude</u>		
Hands-on Activities - Choose any or none!	<u>Make a Papier-Mâché Globe</u>	Make landforms out of playdough or salt dough. <u>Click here to see ideas on Pinterest.</u> Salt dough recipe: 1 cup salt, 2 cups flour, ¾ cup water Mix and knead until smooth and combined.			

<p><u>The Complete Book of Maps and Geography, Grades 3 - 6</u></p>	<p>p. 4 Floor plan p. 5 A picture from above</p>	<p>p. 6-7 Hannah's house (floor plan)</p>	<p>p. 9 Fantastic seats</p>	<p>p. 10-11 Floor plan for the car show</p>	<p>p. 13-14 Create a floor plan of your room, symbols</p>
<p>Note: Some of the <u>Maps and Geography</u> workbook pages may be too easy or too hard for your students, depending on their age(s) and/or previous knowledge. Pick and choose which pages are appropriate, if the ones I schedule don't match your student's ability.</p> <p>I used this workbook with all of my kids and had some of them do all of the pages and others do only some of the pages based on the difficulty level. My daughter LOVED workbooks and wanted to do every single page. My son did not love workbooks so I had him move through the concepts more quickly. You may need to adjust what gets assigned for your kids too.</p>					
<p><u>Geography Songs</u></p>	<p>Continents and oceans song (song #32) - or see the video below for an alternate song. Solar System song (song #33) Instructions: Kids should point to each country as they sing them on the maps until they have memorized the location of each place</p>				
<p>Extras</p>					
	<p><u>Use Google Earth</u> and explore. Try ticking and unticking the checkmark boxes on the left as you navigate the Earth. Option 2: Look at <u>Google Earth online</u> during the future weeks' assignments.</p>	<p>Instructions for Google Earth: Use Google Earth to explore the countries / areas each week. Use street view!! - Click on a city or town and zoom way in click the box next to roads on the left hand side under the layers tab. Once you've zoomed really far in, you can turn on street view by drawing the little orange person icon on the right hand side to the street(s) you are viewing. The view will change so that it's almost like you are standing on the street. You can left click your mouse and drag to change your view. You can click "down the street" to move farther along. Once you are in street view: Look at the houses and see how they compare to your home. Look at the vegetation. What kind of climate do you think the location has? Take a look at the stores and shops. Compare the architecture to where you live. Can you read the shop signs or are they in a different language? Click on the box for weather. Zoom out and check the current weather temps and cloud cover. Compare that to where you live. There is so much to explore with Google Earth. Have fun!</p>			

YouTube Videos

The Nations of the World (Animaniacs) - You may want to re-watch this video several times this year.

7 Continents Song to the tune of Frère Jacques

Week 2 Japan					
Notes for this week:					
The Paper Dolls Around the World set is really cute and I've linked to the entire set throughout the schedule. Each page has a paper doll and also features the country's flag, a dish of food and other information.					
Resources	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
History & Culture					
Scheduled book	<p><u>The Land I Lost: Adventures of a Boy in Vietnam</u> Because it's 15 chapters long, I've scheduled this book early starting in week 2. You will finish it in week 4, when we learn about Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam). You need to read at least 1 chapter a day for a total of 5 chapters this week (chapters 1-5).</p>				
Scheduled book	<p><u>My Awesome Japan Adventure: A Diary about the Best 4 Months Ever!</u> Read over the week.</p>				
Scheduled book	<p><u>How to Live Like a Samurai Warrior</u> Read over the week.</p>				
<u>Children Just Like Me</u>		p. 46-47 Asia p. 52 Daisuke from Japan	<u>Kids Around the World Cook!</u> p. 61 Kushiyaki: Japan		
Scheduled book	<p><u>Stories from Around the World</u> p. 118 The Little Sparrow - A story from Japan</p>				

Hands-on & Activities (Choose 1 or more)	Art	Language Arts: poetry How to write a Haiku printable Craft: Japanese traditional clothing coloring page	Craft Japanese carp kite or Cherry blossom plate Supplies: paper plate, pink tissue paper, brown paint or marker, glue Other cherry blossom crafts	Papercraft Carp streamers This is a pretty print-out but might be too difficult for younger children.	Craft Japanese paper lanterns Paper dolls: Paper Dolls Around the World: Japan Korea
Recipe					Tuna stuffed sushi Order the soy wraps from here. or Order the nori wraps from here.
More...	Where Children Sleep: Kaya in Japan Ryuta in Japan Risa in Japan				
Geography					
Printables - Use these throughout the week as desired.	Maps of Japan you can customize (labeling, etc.) - very nice Japan mini-unit - This pack of printables was made by me!	Japanese cities	Japan's Location	Color the World: Mt. Fuji	Color the World: Osaka Castle

<u>The Complete Book of Maps and Geography, Grades 3 - 6</u>	p. 15 Pioneer "make a map" p. 16 Symbols on maps	p. 17 Symbols replace words p. 18-19 The Wild Geese	p. 20 Kool Kids Mall	p. 21 Science sense (museum map)	p. 22 Farmer Fritz p. 23 Carmella's Candy
<u>Geography Songs</u>	Asia song (song #17)				
<u>Google Earth</u>	Explore Japan.				
Extras					
	<u>Japan lapbook</u>	<u>China provinces online map puzzle</u>			
Videos	<u>The Lion King - Hakuna Matata in Japanese</u> <u>National Geographic: Wild Japan</u> <u>Japanese numbers video</u> <u>Japanese months video</u> <u>Japanese colors video</u>				