

TEACHERS NOTES

UNIT 1 – MAPS & MAPPING

Lesson 1

This unit is divided into lessons. Each section contains a sequence of activities with related objectives and outcomes. You can view this unit by moving through the lessons.

Aim: Research on different countries

-INTRODUCTION

- Presentation [Power Point](#)
(Plenary session)
- To introduce concepts and vocabulary about Maps & Mapping

- Activity 1 –

Skills: Listening, Reading and Speaking
(plenary session)
(the same information as in the Power Point)

- Objectives:

- ✓ to investigate places
- ✓ to respond to geographical questions
- ✓ to use and interpret globes, atlases and maps

- ✓ to use secondary sources

- Language:

In this activity the children are likely to use:

Vocabulary:

- ✓ *Map*
- ✓ *Country*
- ✓ *Continent*
- ✓ *Main features*
 - *The highest mountain*
 - *The longest river*
 - *Borders (neighbouring countries)*
 - *Coast (sea, ocean)*
- ✓ *Language*
- ✓ *Population*
- ✓ *Capital City*

Ask and answer questions about physical features:

- ✓ *How many continents do you know?*
- ✓ *Why are these natural borders?*
- ✓ *Which language do they speak in.....?*

- Activity:

In this activity the pupils will get familiar with the concepts they are going to use to make a research about a country.

Ask the children to read the information about *Maps, Continent, Main Features, Language, Population and Capital City*. Then, in a plenary session the teacher will ask questions such as:

- “*Can you tell me the name of a very high mountain?*”
- “*Can you name the continents?*”

Oral work to get familiar with the concepts.

- Resources:

- Peters World Map
- Maps
- Atlases
- Books
- Access to the internet

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- Activity 2 –

Skills: Reading and Writing
(Individual work)

- Objective:

Get used to the three colours they will find on physical maps:

- BLUE for the names related to water
- GREEN for the names related to land
- YELLOW for the names related to mountains

- Language:

In this activity the children are likely to use:

✓ “Colour in.....”

Names of physical features:

- ✓ *maps*
- ✓ *continents*
- ✓ *rivers*
- ✓ *mountains*
- ✓ *borders*
- ✓ *coast*
- ✓ *language*
- ✓ *population*
- ✓ *capital city*

- Activity:

Ask the children to read the presentation text with the information and make them colour the words:

- BLUE the names related to water
- GREEN the names related to land
- YELLOW the names related to mountains

After that they can write the names in the boxes provided in the worksheet

- Resources:

- Text provided

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- Activity 3 – Skills: Writing (Individual work)
- Objective: Make lists of words. Classify the words. <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Vocabulary they already know○ New words
- Language: The same as in the previous activities (Activities 1 & 2)
- Activity: Ask them to classify the words in two lists and then to write them down in the bubbles: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Words “<i>I already knew</i>” in Lisa’s bubble○ Words “<i>I have learnt</i>” in Bart’s bubble
- Resources: -Text provided

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- Activity 4 –

Skills: Writing
(Plenary session)

- Objective:

To understand physical maps by identifying the colours.

- Language:

In this activity the children are likely to use:

When they look at physical a map, the *colours* they will notice are:

- *BLUE for water*
- *GREEN for land*
- *YELLOW or BROWN for mountains*

- Activity:

Ask the children to complete the sentences in the worksheet and show them maps, books, atlases, etc. to check the importance of these colours on physical maps.

- Resources:

- Maps
- Atlases
- Books

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- Activity 5a and 5b –

Skills: Speaking and Writing

(Plenary session)

- Objective:

To make a prediction

- Language:

In this activity the children are likely to use:

-Countries: *China / Kenya / India*

-Questions:

- ✓ *What do you know about India/China/Kenya?*
- ✓ *Which is the highest mountain in India?*
- ✓ *What is the population in China?*
- ✓ *Which language do they speak in Kenya?*

-Names of the *continents*

-Main features of the countries

- ✓ *Mountains*
- ✓ *Rivers*
- ✓ *Borders*
- ✓ *Seas or oceans*

-Languages spoken in different countries

-Population

-Names of *capital cities*

- Activity:

Ask the children to make a prediction of a country. *What do they already know about China, Kenya or India?*

Discuss with them what they think they already know and tell the pupils they are going to will fill in a chart with information about India, China or Kenya.

In plenary session ask them questions first about their own country.

- ✓ *What's the name of your country?*
- ✓ *In which continent is it?*

Then, divide the children in groups and ask them to fill in the tables with their prediction. There is a different country per group.

When they finish their prediction, the teacher will keep the worksheets until the end of Unit 1 – Lesson 2

Tell the children that when they finish the final research, the teacher will give them the worksheets back to compare the results.

- Resources:

-Activity sheets

-There are Answer Sheets provided for the teacher