

GEOGRAPHY K

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Course Description: In this course, students will learn the following:

1. The definition of geography; creation and Creator.
2. The Biblical foundation of the creation and the purposes of each continent.
3. The Earth in its universal setting; the solar system and the motions of the earth.
4. The Earth and its shape; introduce the world map and the globe.
5. The Earth; created by God as the dwelling place for man and the stage for his activities.
6. The divisions, or elements, of the surface of the earth: define water, land masses, and atmosphere.
7. The directions: N-S-E-W, the poles, and the equator.
8. The map standard; a simple world map.
9. Waters of the earth: the four oceans and major rivers.
10. Land masses of the earth: continents, mountains, deserts, and plains.
11. The individuality of the people, animals, and plants of each continent.

Students will learn these concepts through various approaches including oral discussion, individual map work, creating bulletin boards of each continent, and hearing presentations by outside guests who will come into the classroom to present their experiences of different countries. In addition to being able to discuss their learning, students will demonstrate their understanding of these topics through working with individual maps, completing notebook tasks, and bringing pictures of animals and people of each continent to be placed on the classroom bulletin board. The most reliable way to receive specific information about course work, including topics and timing, is through the weekly newsletters sent home with your child. To support your student, please consider reading the weekly newsletters so that you will be able to help your child find appropriate pictures from the internet, National Geographic magazines, etc. about the continent we are currently studying.

Key Texts: The Story of the Creation From the Book of Moses, Daniel and Rebecca Ridges Jensen; ISBN 978-1-55517-894-9; Brown, Jeff, *Flat Stanley*. (ISBN: 978-1-4351-1212-4)

Publishable or Significant Projects: Bulletin board of students' collections of people and animals from different continents; Flat Stanley project; Field trip to the BYU Monte L. Bean Museum to observe animals around the world.

Memorizations: None