



Geography

Games and Activities



1. Play 'Name a country' with the people in your household. Each player takes it in turns to name a country, starting with A, then B, then C, then D, etc. If you get stuck, look through this atlas and discover a new part of the world! <http://www.yourchildlearns.com/online-atlas-asia.htm>
2. Make the game more challenging by doing the same for capital cities and famous landmarks (quite tricky!), famous rivers, volcanoes, mountains, seas and so on.
3. Design your own country. Give it a name and draw its outline on a big piece of paper; plot its capital city, some exciting landmarks and interesting places to visit. What type of animals and plants can be found in your country? What language is spoken, what food is eaten and what is the national currency?
4. Play Geography Mastermind: Which member of the family can name the most countries and their capital cities in 60 seconds? Allow different challenge times for children of different ages.
5. Organise a field trip as a part of your daily exercise! Locate a nearby geographical feature - a river, stream or hill - locate it on a map, then visit it.
6. Flick through an atlas and look for strange and wonderful place names. Can you pronounce them correctly and find out two facts about them?
7. Use the free map on Google Earth to see the world in satellite photo form. Gaze over the landscapes, zoom in and imagine what life is like in the Sahara, the Serengeti or Siberia.
8. Mark all the countries people in your family have been to on a map. How many continents have they visited?
9. Put together a collection of toy animals. Can you place them on a big map according to where they come from?