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Geography

**Kids Learning Tube –  
Geography  
“Seven Continents”**

# Curriculum Connection:



## Social Studies

### Geography:

This lesson directly aligns with the geography curriculum as students **learn about the seven continents, their names, and basic characteristics.**

Focus will be on **spatial relationships** by identifying the general locations of the continents on a world map. Additionally, students will explore the concept of hemispheres and identifying the continents within each hemisphere.

## Language Arts:

### Listening and Speaking:

This lesson encourages students to actively listen to information about each continent and comprehend the content presented. Through a game and discussions about continents, students also engage in speaking and expressing their knowledge of the continents.

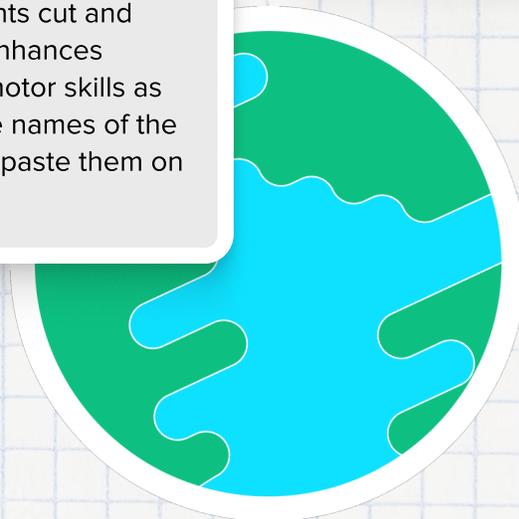
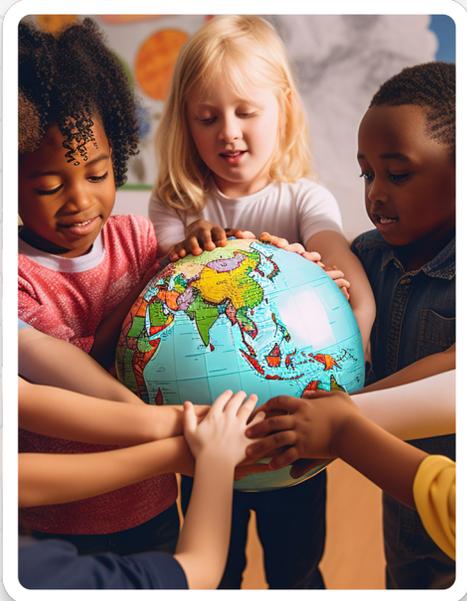
## Mathematics:

### Spatial Reasoning:

The "Pin the Plane on the Continent" activity promotes **spatial reasoning** as students navigate the world map and attempt to place the plane in the correct location, using their understanding of spatial relationships and direction. Measurement: During the "Pin the Plane on the Continent" game, students experience measurement by estimating distances and direction as they try to fly their plane to the continent.

## Fine Motor Skills:

**Cutting and Pasting:** The Seven Continents cut and paste activity enhances students' fine motor skills as they cut out the names of the continents and paste them on the world map.



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# Learning Goals:

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## Social Studies

**Geography:** Students will identify and name the seven continents (North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, Antarctica) and understand their basic characteristics.

Students will demonstrate spatial awareness by identifying the general locations of the continents on a world map.

Students will recognize the concept of hemispheres, specifically the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, and identify the continents that fall within each hemisphere.

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## Language Arts

### Listening and Comprehension:

Students will actively listen to the "*Kids Learning Tube - Geography: Seven Continents*" song and comprehend information about each continent presented in the song.

**Speaking:** Students will engage in discussions about continents, sharing their knowledge of their names and characteristics with their peers during class activities.

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## Mathematics

**Spatial Reasoning:** Students will develop spatial reasoning skills during the "Pin the Plane on the Continent" game, as they navigate and place the plane in the correct location on the world map.

**Measurement:** During the "Pin the Plane on the Continent" game, students will experience measurement by estimating distances and direction as they try to fly their plane to the continent they drew.

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## Fine Motor Skills

**Cutting and Pasting:** Students will enhance their fine motor skills as they cut out the names of the continents and paste them in the correct spots on the world map during the Seven Continents cut and paste activity.

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# Materials:

S01 E10

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### Lesson Supplies:

- Kids Learning Tube S01 E10: Geography “Seven Continents”
- Large world map poster
- Paper for students to make paper airplanes
- Blindfolds for the "Pin the Plane on the Continent" activity

- Pieces of paper with the names of the seven continents in a jar or bowl
- “Seven Continents” cut and paste activity sheets (provided)
- Glue sticks
- Scissors



# Lesson:

## Introduction to Continents & Hemispheres:

Begin the lesson by gathering the students and introducing the concept of continents. Show the world map poster and point out the different continents while discussing their names (North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, and Antarctica) and basic characteristics. Introduce the concept of hemispheres, specifically the Northern and Southern Hemispheres.

## Viewing of Kidoodle.TV's Kids Learning Tube - Geography: "Seven Continents" episode:

Lead the students in watching the Seven Continents song on Kidoodle.TV. Encourage the students to sing along and engage with the song's content, learning about each continent and its unique characteristics.

Pause the video at appropriate points for discussion or to clarify any questions.

## "Pin the Plane on the Continent" Activity:

Post the large world map at the front of the class. Give each student a paper and demonstrate how to make a paper airplane. Once students have made a paper airplane, ask them to write their names on the plane. Write the names of the seven continents on separate pieces of paper and place them in a jar or bowl.

Invite students to come up one at a time. Let them draw out a piece of paper, blindfold them, spin them around gently, and then lead them to the map. Instruct the blindfolded student to try to "fly" their plane to the continent they drew, placing their plane on the map.

Once all students have had a turn, discuss the location of each plane and the continent it landed on. Help the students identify which hemisphere the continents are located in.

## "Seven Continents" Cut and Paste Activity:

Distribute the "Seven Continents" cut and paste activity sheets to each student. Instruct the students to carefully cut out the names of the continents along the dotted lines. Guide the students in placing and pasting each continent's name in its correct spot on the world map.

## Conclusion

Gather the students back together to review what they learned about continents and hemispheres. Ask the students to recall the names and locations of the continents on the map.

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# Extension Activity:

To extend the learning, students can create simple illustrations of one continent they find interesting. They can draw landmarks, animals, or symbols that represent that continent's unique features and share their illustrations with the class.

## Assessment

The primary assessment for this lesson will be through informal observation during the "Pin the Plane on the Continent" activity, and the “Seven Continents” cut and paste worksheet. Teachers can assess the students' ability to identify the continents, their engagement in the interactive activities, and their accuracy in completing the cut and paste activity.

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