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Cycle 1 Week 1-2

Geography Study Guide Exploration



Elements of Exploration

REQUIRES TAKING RISKS

CONFRONTS THE UNKNOWN

MAY RESULT IN NEW FINDINGS OR CONFIRM OLD FINDINGS

REQUIRES LEADERSHIP

“To discover new countries, to climb the highest peaks, to travel through new areas of celestial space, to turn our searchlights upon domains of eternal darkness, that is what makes life worth living.”–

Auguste Piccard

Essential Questions:

- How do political, economic, and cultural events contribute to continuity and change over time?
- How does globalization impact and shape the world today?
- How does the diffusion and distribution of people, ideas, and products influence people and places?

Overview

This cycle focuses on the effects of exploration on a global scale. We will look at how culture travels around the world; continue to use your map skills in atlas work that showcases climate, land use and how that affects where people live; we will finish the novel, The Year of Miss Agnes but this time for your mind mapping notes, you will focus on politics and economics, as well as cultural examples from the story. You will also work with a small group work as you imagine that you are on a mystery island with certain characteristics and you have to decide where to build your community in order to increase your chances for survival. You will also have the chance to review several books and watch CNN Student News on your own and connect them to the essential questions listed above. Finally, we will end the cycle by finding out about the origins of foods. You will select one food item and trace its roots through research. More information about that project will follow in several weeks.

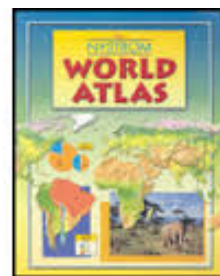
Weeks 1-2 (Sept. 8-18)

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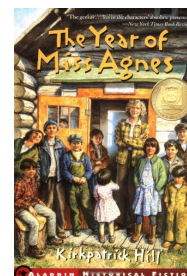


_____ **1. What Does a Picture Tell You About Culture?** After observing you and your partner's pictures, make a Venn-Diagram in your journal comparing and contrasting elements of culture depicted in the photos. **Be sure you label both circles and include as many attributes of culture as you can.** Ask if you need help with this!

_____ **2. World Atlas –** (p. 15-20) Rainfall, Growing Seasons, and Climate, Land Use and Resources, Where People Live (handouts)



_____ **3. The Year of Miss Agnes** – As we read the novel aloud, take notes (make a mind map) in your composition book for examples of: politics/economics/culture



_____ **4. Mystery Island Presentation**—You will be working in teams of four to select a site of settlement that your team thinks is the best. Each team member needs to study and become an expert on one of the four maps in the handout. Write the answers to the questions on your handout to help you with your presentation & essay.

_____ **5. Mystery Island Essay**—Take your and your group's answers to the questions above and write an essay on Utah Compose that explains the choices you made and why.



Please turn in all work by Sept. 18.

