

Lesson Plan – Continent Worksheets

<p>Choose a Continent:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Choose a continent that you want your students to study. ▪ Review the Command Cards for the continent. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Card 1 for each topic contains the assignments related to the chart. These are the same as the sections on the worksheet highlighted in yellow. ▪ Card 2 contains optional assignments for students who are older, finish early, and/or want to study the topic more in depth. These are the remaining sections on the worksheets. ▪ Review the Charts provided for each of the command cards. Decide which topics are appropriate for your students.
<p>Prepare the Materials:</p> <p>(Instructions are given for a learning center. Adapt them to your needs.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Print out the worksheets for the topics that you want your students to use. You may want each student to use a different topic or you may want to have everyone use the same one to begin with. ▪ Print a chart and a blank map of the continent for the each worksheet. Store these sets (worksheet, blank map, and chart) in a file folder. ▪ Have extra blank maps and blank charts available for the students to use. ▪ Have an atlas, a map of the continent, and a World Almanac available for the students.
<p>Presentation for an Individual or a Small Group:</p> <p>Use this for the first continent that you study.</p> <p>Instructions for subsequent ones follow the same pattern.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Choose the topic you wish to present. (Bays of Europe is our example.) 2. Give each student (or pair of students) a set – blank map of the continent, a copy of the Bays Chart and a Bays worksheet. Ask the students to find 2 bays on a map of Europe. 3. Have the students make and label the bays on their maps and enter the information on their charts. 4. Have the students enter the rest of the information for their 2 bays on the chart. This will include all the items on the worksheet that are highlighted in yellow. 5. Have the students look at the other items on the worksheet. Ask them if they have any questions. 6. Make the assignment in terms of how many Bays you want them to find (no more than 9 – otherwise their maps will be cluttered.), as well as how many of the remaining items on the worksheet they should complete.
<p>Extensions:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have students make a Continent Booklet, containing 3 or more of the topics. 2. Have students make a Cork Board Map for the Bays using the descriptions they made with the assignment on the worksheet. They will need to take another map of the continent, mark the location of each bay, and make a small label.