

World Map and Globe - Lesson 15 Mountains of the World

Objectives Using the World Physical Map, the students will locate one major mountain range on each continent. (except Antarctica)

Vocabulary mountain, physical map

Materials Needed World Physical Map and the following seven post-it-notes:
Rocky Mountains
Andes Mountains
Alps Mountains
Ural Mountains
Atlas Mountains
Himalayas Mountains
Great Dividing Mountains

Lesson

Pull down the World Physical Map. Review with the students the meaning of the colors used on the physical map. Also ask the students that today they will learn about mountains around the world.

There are many different mountains ranges located throughout the world. These mountain ranges have a name to identify them just as cities are named. Tell the students they will learn the location and name of one mountain range on each continent except Antarctica.

Circle North America on the map. Have the students suggest where the largest mountain range in North American is located. Tell the students the name of the mountain range is the Rocky Mountains. Use the Rocky Mountains post-it-note and place it over the location of the Rocky Mountains on the map.

Follow the same procedure for the rest of the continents. Identify the continent. Suggest where mountains may be located. Apply the sticker. The mountain ranges and the correct continent are as follows:

Rocky Mountains – Western North America
Andes Mountains – Western South America
Alps Mountains – Central Europe
Ural Mountains – Divides Europe and Asia
Atlas Mountains – Northern Africa
Himalayas Mountains – South Central Asia
Great Dividing Mountains – Eastern Australia