

POINTS OF INTEREST

World

Mapping

World (OMB 49)

- Label the oceans. Use BLUE and print with all CAPS.
- Label the prime meridian at 0° and the international date line at 180°.

Pacific Rim (OMB 40)

- Label the Pacific Ring of Fire on a map of the Pacific rim.

Trail Blazing

Study the composition of the earth. There is a great series of charts depicting the composition of each layer of the earth in the Atlas of World Geography and in the Usborne Encyclopedia of World Geography. Make your own chart on poster board.

Learn about Pangea and the theory of plate tectonics. Define continental drift.

Volcanoes formed many of the earth's mountains and islands. The earth has over 500 active volcanoes including many on the ocean floor. Study volcanoes. Make your own exploding gas volcano or a volcano notebook (TUG 114-120). Log on to <http://volcano.und.nodak.edu>, to learn more about volcanoes and the Pacific Ring of Fire.

Study oceans. Look for a world terrain or ocean floor profile diagram in an atlas. If your atlas includes these diagrams, take some time to "see" the oceans and land from a whole different perspective than standard maps provide. Very interesting!

Copy "Good Stuff to Know by Heart" cards and start memorizing these world facts. Practice with friends and family (TUG 281-283).

The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) has declared and demarcated a fifth ocean and named it the Southern Ocean. It includes all the water below 60°S to the boundary of Antarctica. Learn more about the fifth ocean and how it came to be established. Try using [about.com](http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/oo.html) or the CIA Factbook online at: <http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/oo.html>. (Do this week or in Week 26.)

Geography Notebook

Begin to draw the flags of the world. Add new flags each week from countries on the continent that you are studying. Learn what the symbols and colors mean.

Learn the about the layers of the earth, draw a diagram, and label (TUG 116, atlas).

Illustrated Geography Dictionary

Start your own Illustrated Geography Dictionary. Add new words and terms throughout the year. Draw or attach pictures of geographic features and write a simple definition (TUG 339-342). Use the template provided in the appendix. Need help to draw the features? Try using an illustrated geographical terms chart. Start with these terms:

latitude (parallel)

hemisphere

Geography Through Art

- Earth from Space
- Build a papier-mâché globe.

Week 2



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