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Crest Hill Elementary School

Geography Research Book (Geo-Book)

Geographic Word: You will be given a specific vocabulary term each week. There will be 3 requirements for full credit in this area. 1) Give the definition of the word, 2) give an example of where this word can be found in the world (name a place), and 3) use the term in a meaningful sentence.

Country: Select a country whose name begins with the week's letter. Include the country's capital, and provide the latitude and longitude coordinates of its capital city. Identify on which continent and in which hemispheres your country is located. Provide 5 important facts about this country. Draw a picture of the flag (printed copy will not be accepted). And provide a map of the country (drawn or printed will be accepted). Extra credit points are available for finding an animal from this country. You must draw the animal and list 3 facts about it.

Current Events: Find and record the important information of a current event (look for the facts). A current event is something happening in the news within the last year. Using the facts, write a brief summary paragraph. Note: A printed copy of the current event from a newspaper or the Internet needs to accompany your paragraph. The paragraph needs to answer the 5 W's (who, what, where, when, and why).

Famous Person: Choose a famous person to research and report on. Their last name must begin with the letter of the week. Write several paragraphs containing information about where he/she lives/lived, what this person is famous for, dates about important events in this person's life, and a picture of this person. One extra point will be given if this person is from the same country you selected for this week.

Format: Neatness counts! Points will be deducted for sloppy work. You must use a composition notebook. Record your information on 2 facing pages. Add flaps or foldouts if necessary to increase your space. You must create a border related to the week's letter. **The letter of the week will not be accepted as the border.** Use your imagination and be creative. The border will serve to unify all of your topics. Presentation must be organized, colorful, interesting, and neat. Work must be free of errors. Spelling counts so proofread carefully.