

Creating the Continents

GRADE LEVEL: 3-4

PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS(the students will be able to):learn the seven continents and where they are in relation to one another.

MATERIALS:

World Globe

Balloons

Permanent Magic Marker

Procedure: The lesson for today is to learn about the seven continents and where they are in relation to one another. The balloon is going to be used for learning the location of each continent by creating your own world globe.

Give each student a balloon and have him/her blow it up. The balloon serves as a replacement to a world globe. With a permanent magic marker, each student should draw the shapes of the continents on the balloon in relation to how close they are to one another. They should use the entire balloon to create their globe. Have them write in the name of each continent and ocean in its correct shape. They can make their balloons as colorful and creative as they want.

Assessment: Each student should be given a blank map with the seven continents drawn on it. The students will be responsible for writing in the correct continents and oceans to assess their knowledge from the balloon. This way the teacher can tell how well they have learned where each continent and ocean is on the map.

