

CURRICULUM

Social Studies

MATERIALS

- ▶ Outline World map
- ▶ Information from parents
- ▶ Colored pencils or crayons
- ▶ Larger world map, if available

Your Family is From Where?

Objective:

Students will find out where their “roots” are.

Activity:

1. Have students research from which countries their ancestors came.
2. Pass out black line maps of the world. Students will identify and color in the countries where their ancestors originated.
3. Answer the questions below.

Questions:

1. How many countries are represented by students in the class?
2. What are the names of the countries? (Write them on a chart.)
3. Which countries could host the Olympic Winter Games? Discuss why or why not.

Write a short report about the country of your ancestors, giving information about its customs, cultures and sports. Explain whether or not this country might participate in the Olympic Winter Games. (See www.uen.org/2002 for information about Olympic Winter Games countries.)

Extensions:

Obtain a large wall map. Ask students to mark the country of their ancestors. Since several students might have the same country of origin, you might put student names next to the country name.

