1st Grade - Act. 21: Map Maker

Summary
Students will complete a variety of activities that focus on maps.

Main Core Tie
Social Studies - 1st Grade
Standard 3

Materials
- a plastic globe
- large map of the world traced on butcher paper
- items to sort
  - kangaroo, koala, sun, and an Australian flag
  - penguin, igloo, snowflakes, and the Antarctica flag
  - sharks, fishing boats etc.
  - American flag, Statue of Liberty, baseball, and Mickey Mouse words to label each area
- North America, Antarctica, Australia, Pacific and Atlantic Ocean

Background for Teachers
A map is a geographic picture of places. Maps can show something as large as the Earth or something as small as a room. A map of the world is made up of water and land. The water is represented by a blue color. The land is represented by various colors.

Intended Learning Outcomes
1. Demonstrate a positive learning attitude.
5. Understand and use basic concepts and skills.

Process Skills
Symbolization, classification

Instructional Procedures
Invitation to Learn
Toss around a plastic globe and ask participants what they notice or know about a globe.

Instructional Procedures
Display the oversized world map with some parts unlabeled.
Discuss what a map is and what it does.
Compare globe and flat map.
Label each of the areas.
Show items and have students sort them into categories
Place the items on the appropriate part of the map.
Class discussion.

Extensions
Possible Extensions/Adaptations
Students draw their own map and label the parts. Students color and add detail to the class world map.
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