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Lesson Plan

Exploring Mount Everest

Lesson Plan for *Asia*

Grade 1

Objective

To help students practice reading aloud and recalling facts from a text read aloud.

Things Needed

- *Asia* book
- Access to the “Asia” web page on the Pop! website:
<http://popbooksonline.com/continents/asia/>
- Access to the “DK Find Out: Himalayas” link on the “Explore Links” tab of the Pop! web page. This link can also be found here: <https://www.dkfindout.com/us/earth/continents/asia/>
- Paper and pencils

Before the Activity

Read *Asia* out loud to students. Open the “Asia” web page in your internet browser. Pull up the “Explore Links” tab and click the “DK Find Out: Himalayas” link to open the map of Asia.

Activity

The highest mountain in the world is located in Asia. This mountain is known as Mount Everest. It is part of the Himalayas, a mountain range on the borders of China, India, and Nepal. To learn more about the Himalayas, show students the map of Asia on the DK website. Click on the “Himalayas” label, and choose a student to read the text in the white box out loud, providing prompting and support for any difficult words.

Next, click the link at the bottom of the box. It will take you to a page with more information about the Himalayas and attempts to climb them. Choose a student to read the text in the “Himalayas” box at the top right, again offering encouragement if a student struggles to read a word and asking questions to help the class understand any unfamiliar terms.



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Then, click the “Khumbu icefall” box and choose a student to read this text. [Note: this section of text is slightly more challenging, so choose a stronger reader.]

Finally, click the “Mount Everest” box and choose a student to read the text that appears, again providing prompting and support for any difficult words.

After students have read all the information on this page, ask each student to think of one fact about Mount Everest or the Himalayas that they found especially interesting. Students should write this fact on a piece of paper as a complete sentence.

Evaluation

Could students accurately recall a fact from the text read aloud? Did they write their answers as complete sentences?

Standards

This lesson plan may be used to address the Common Core State Standards’ speaking and listening standards, grade 1 (SL 1.2) and language standards, grade 1 (L 1.1).

