

# Title: All About the Continent of Africa

Grade Level: Kindergarten

Subject: ELA & Social Studies

Keywords: Continent and Africa



<b>Lesson Plan:</b>	The Continent of Africa
<b>Subject:</b>	American History
<b>Grade:</b>	Kindergarten
<b>Description/ Abstract of Lesson</b>	Students will learn about the Continent of Africa and its culture.
<b>SS.K.A.2.1</b>	Students will be able to compare children and families of today with those in the past.
<b>LAFS.K.SL.2.4</b>	Students will be able to describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.
<b>Objective(s):</b>	Students will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop an understanding for where Africa is located on a map and the shape of the continent on a map.</li><li>• Learn that Africa is the second largest continent in the world.</li><li>• Learn about the culture of Africa and how that culture transcends over into the African American culture here in the United States.</li></ul>
<b>Materials:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Digital resources</li><li>● Books, magazines and other resources made available by the school Media Center</li><li>● World Map or Map of Africa</li><li>● Crayons</li><li>● Printout of the Map of Africa</li></ul>
<b>Duration:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 1-2 class periods</li><li>● Block Scheduling (90 min.) 1 class period</li></ul>
<b>Lesson Lead In/ Opening:</b>	<p>Explain to the students that Africa is the homeland of the ancestors of many people living in the United States, the Caribbean and Latin America today.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The teacher will display the map of Africa on the smartboard or a Large class map.</li><li>2. The teacher will ask the students if they have ever heard of a place named Africa.</li><li>3. The teacher will ask students, what they know about the continent of Africa, to probe them for prior knowledge.</li><li>4. During the discussion, the teacher will write on the board what that students have shared based on their prior knowledge of Africa.</li></ol>
<b>Activity 1:</b>	Warm up or Do Now: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students will watch the Nat Geo Kids video titled: Africa-Destination World from Youtube- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSYHMYVfo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSYHMYVfo</a></li><li>• Group discussion: Students discuss with the class some of the interesting things that they say in the video.</li></ul>
<b>Activity 2:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Share a prepared page with a picture of Africa in the center. To further enhance the lesson, the letter “A” should be in the upper left corner with a caption that spells out the word “Africa”. After appropriate practice, instruct the students to write a sentence using the word Africa in their sentence (They will write their sentence on the back of the paper).</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will then color in the printout map of Africa.</li> </ul>
<b>Higher Order Thinking Questions:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What type of animals are there in Africa?</li> <li>• What is a continent?</li> <li>• What are some of the different types of land is there in Africa?</li> <li>• What are somethings that we have here in America that are similar to Africa?</li> </ul>
<b>Suggested Books:</b>	Introducing Africa (Introducing Continents) by Chris Oxlade
<b>Web Resources</b>	<p>Destination World – Nat Geo Kids: Africa  <a href="https://youtu.be/PSYHMWmyVfo">https://youtu.be/PSYHMWmyVfo</a></p> <p>Printout of the Map of Africa: <a href="https://www.coloring.ws/t.asp?t=https://www.coloring.ws/countries/africa.gif">https://www.coloring.ws/t.asp?t=https://www.coloring.ws/countries/africa.gif</a></p>

