

History 2 Lesson Plan

WEEK THREE

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, briefly review "The Worldwide Church" and "St. Anne: Patroness of Canada." Help your child to answer the questions on p. 6. The answer keys for all the questions are in the back of the book. Pray for the people of Canada. Look at pictures of Canada in books or on the Internet.

Day 2

Relate the grandparents of Jesus to your child's grandparents. Emphasize the importance of grandparents in the life of us all. If you have pictures of your grandparents, or the child's grandparents, show them now and discuss where they lived. If you know where your grandparents or great grandparents may have come from, discuss that country and show some pictures of that country, from a book or from the Internet. About half the people in Canada are Catholic, which compares to about 25% of the Catholic people in the United States.

Day 3

Look on the Internet or in an encyclopedia about the famous Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre. Download pictures if possible and discuss the details with your child. This is a very famous shrine for many reasons. Consider ordering some items from the Shrine. Consider visiting the Shrine as a family. Many blessings for the family can come from such a visit, even an online visits.

Day 4

Assign Lesson Two, "What Is a Map?" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*. The most difficult part about teaching this book is that most children want to do the whole book at one sitting. If your child is excited about this book and wants to do more than one or two lessons, or tries to do some lessons on the weekend, don't hold your child back, let him do as much as he wants. You still should take the time to go over over a lesson each week to "add" to the lesson!

You may want to look on the Internet to find a map of your town or city or neighborhood.

WEEK FIVE

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, read St. Thomas the Apostle: Patron of India, pp. 7-8. Look over and explain the photos and illustration on p. 9. Have your child color the illustration.

Day 2

Help your child answer the questions on p. 10.

Day 3

Help your child locate India on a map. If possible, show your child pictures of India in the encyclopedia and compare them to the illustration on p. 6. Discuss: "What do the Indian palaces look like?" Consider showing your child colorful pictures of buildings in India on the Internet! Pray with your child for the poor people of India. Mother Teresa, who has passed away and is now Blessed Teresa, and her nuns, have worked in India for years to give food, shelter, and comfort to the very poor, sick, dying, and homeless. Pray for the people of India. Only about 2% are Catholic.



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Day 4

Assign Lesson Three "What Is a Globe?" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*. If possible, purchase a globe so your child can find India and Canada, and the U.S.

WEEK SEVEN

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, read and discuss "St. Denis, Patron of France," pp. 11 to 13. Explain the photos and the illustration on p. 12. Have your child color the illustration.

Day 2

Help your child answer the questions on p. 14.

Day 3

Help your child locate France on a map and/or globe. If possible, show your child pictures of France in the encyclopedia. Search for pictures of France on the Internet! Pray for the people of France. The famous shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes is located in France. Look on the Internet for the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes. Show your child the section of the Internet with the information in French. Go to the English section and take your child through the pictures and information. Enter a request or petition for prayer at the Shrine. France is considered a Catholic country; about 83% of the people are Catholic.

Day 4

Assign Lesson Four: "Parts of a Map and Globe" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*. Perhaps someone in the family has a compass or perhaps you can purchase one so your child can understand how a compass can help us from becoming lost!

WEEK NINE

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, read and discuss "St. Nicholas, Patron of Russia," pp. 15 to 18. Teach your child that the name "Santa Claus" is derived from the name "Saint Nicholas." Explain the illustration on p. 16. Ask your child to color the illustration.

Day 2

Help your child answer the questions on p. 19.

Day 3

Help your child to locate Russia on a map or globe. If possible, show your child pictures from an encyclopedia article on Russia. Search for colorful pictures of St. Nicholas, St. Petersburg, and Russia on the Internet! Remember to pray with your child for the people of Russia. Remind your child that the Blessed Mother appeared to three children, Lucy, Jacinta, and Francisco, in Fatima, in Portugal, where she asked the children, and the world, to pray the Rosary for the conversion of Russia. While only about 1% of the people are Roman Catholic, 50% are Orthodox and accept most of the Catholic teachings.

Day 4

Assign Lesson Five: "Directions on a Map" in Maps Charts Graphs B.