
Seton Home Study School
History 2 Lesson Plan

Day 2

In *Our Father's World*, read and discuss with your child Chapter 2: "Crossing the Prairies." Work with your child to answer the questions on p. 15 and in Lesson 2 on p. 118.

Day 3

Our Father's World: Have your child do the map work on p. 16. He may wish to color the coyote picture, p. 17. Ask your child to point out the details of the prairie in the illustration. Discuss where prairies are found in the United States.

Day 4

Assign Lesson 2, "What Is a Map?" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*.

WEEK FIVE

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, read St. Thomas the Apostle: Patron of India, pp. 7-8. Explain the illustration on p. 9. Help your child answer the questions on p. 10.

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 and her nuns have worked in India for years to give food, shelter, and comfort to the very poor, sick, dying, and homeless.

Day 2

Read and discuss Chapter 3 in *Our Father's World*, "Sighting the Mountains." Be sure to encourage your child to look at the details in the illustrations.

Ask your child the questions on p. 20. Have him complete Lesson 3 on pp. 118-119.

Day 3

Locate a book from the library or an encyclopedia about mountains.

Discuss: Jesus liked mountains. He went up to the mountains to pray; He was transfigured on a mountain. Moses received the Ten Commandments on a mountain. The Blessed Mother appeared often in hilly areas. Where did she appear to Juan in Mexico? (Tepeyac, a hill just northwest of the city.) Where did she appear to Bernadette at Lourdes? (in a grotto at the foot of the Pyrenees.)

Discuss: In which kind of country do you live? Hilly or mountainous or prairie? Which do you think is the most beautiful? Why?

Day 4

Assign Lesson 3: "What Is a Globe?" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*.

WEEK SEVEN

Day 1

In *Great Saints*, read and discuss "St. Denis, Patron of France," pp. 11 to 13. Explain the illustration on p. 12. Help your child answer the questions on p. 14.

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Help your child locate France on a map 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.

Teach your child that it was the Catholic Church, which was established by Jesus, that decided which of the holy books written in the forty years after Jesus died would compose the New Testament. The Catholic Church and the Faith, as taught by Jesus, the apostles and disciples, existed before the books of the Bible were put together in one volume. (For further study, read *Where We Got the Bible*, by The Right Rev. Henry G. Graham, TAN Publishers, Rockford, IL 61105.)

Day 2

Our Father's World: Read and discuss Chapter 4, "Viewing the Valley." Have your child look closely at the pictures and notice all of the details.

Seton Home Study School is located in the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains in the Shenandoah Valley. Discuss: "Where do we have mountains and valleys in the United States?" Help your child find a map in a book or encyclopedia which shows mountains and valleys and deserts.

Day 3

Our Father's World: Assign p. 24. Discuss the details of the illustration. After class, your child may color it. Point out that God gave the mountain goat very sturdy hooves to be able to climb. Show your child pictures of goats from the Internet! Assign the Lesson 4 exercise on p. 119. Give the assignment on p. 25.

Day 4

Assign Lesson 4: "Parts of a Map and Globe" in *Maps Charts Graphs B*.

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. Help your child answer the questions on p. 19.

Help your child to locate Russia on a map. If possible, show your child pictures from an encyclopedia article on Russia. Search for colorful pictures of St. Nicholas and Russia on the Internet! Remember to pray with your child for the people of Russia.

Day 2

Our Father's World: Read and discuss Chapter 5: "Hot, Dry Deserts."

Obtain a book or an encyclopedia article on camels and explain how the camel survives in the desert. Discuss: "What did God give the camel so it doesn't need water so often?" Have your child draw the picture as assigned on p. 27.

Day 3

Have your child look at a picture book or atlas or globe with deserts. Discuss: "Can you find the equator on a map or globe? Do you see deserts near the equator? Do we have any deserts in the United States? Do you remember God visiting Abraham in the desert? Do you remember Jacob fighting an angel in the desert?"

Help your child with the Lesson 5 exercise on p. 120. Assign the Chapter 6 Review, pp. 28 & 29.