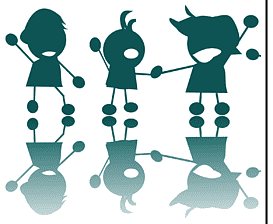
Ellison Explorers

Ellison Explorers Week is a time to find out more about the world we live in. **Here are some fun activities to celebrate . We would love you to share your learning with us either by email or on our school twitter @EllisonPrimary** ☺ Enjoy!

Active Explorers



Explore different geographical language with this fun and active geography game. Ask someone to say one of the key words below and you have to do the correct action. Take it in turns so that everyone gets a go.

Rushing river - run around the room with arms stretched. If there is more than one of you playing the game you have to go in the same direction.

Volcano - jump up in the air and make an exploding noise.

Mountain - stand on your tiptoes with your hands forming a triangle shape above your heads.

Desert - crawl along the floor.

Sea - run forwards and backwards with your arms stretched downwards imitating the actions of waves.

Earthquake - shake your whole body and drop to the floor.

Tornado - hold arms up and spin around on the spot.

Forest - stand with arms outstretched pretending to be trees.

Can you make up any of your own actions to add to the game?

Explore different parts of the world

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zyhp34j

- Research a country that you don't know much about.
- Create a poster to share your learning. You could include a map, the flag, the currency, what the weather is like, wild animals that live there, what they produce there and what language they speak.
- Research another country and record facts. You could then sort these facts into a Venn diagram to show similarities and differences.
- Create your own! Create and map of your own country. Include facts about your creation. You could even create a 3D model of your country. Name it, decide its size and location what continent will it be on or will it be an island? What country does it border? Decide what language is spoken there. Name its cities, towns, landmarks, and natural features. Does it have mountains, deserts, plenty of lakes for fishing? Is the capital named after your favourite pet? What resources it exports and where to? What does it produce and what is grown there? How its government is structured? Does it have a king and queen, a parliament, a president? What currency is used? What holidays people celebrate there? What foods are grown there and what traditional dishes are served?

Record all of the information about your creation in a fun way. We can't wait to find out about your new county.

Great explorers



- Christopher Columbus was a famous explorer who discovered 'The New World' Click here to read and find out about Christopher Columbus. You can even answer questions about him. You can also watch clips about him by clicking the link below. https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ks2-christopher-columbus/z7j3hbk
- Robert Falcon Scott led two expeditions to the Antarctic. Click here to find out about Robert Falcon Scott. What else can you fond out about this great explorer? You can watch a clip about him on the link below. https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ks2-robert-falcon-scott/zdhdgwx
- Ernest Shackleton was born in 1874, and died in 1922, he led three expeditions to the Antarctic. During one of his expeditions, he was stranded on the ice for two years. Click here to find out about Ernest Shackleton.

Can you find out about any other great explorers? How could you record your findings in an interesting way? If you were an explorer where would you go?





Explore the Rainforest

Find out about the rainforest on the links below.
https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/physical-geography/15-cool-things-about-rainforests/
https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/physical-geography/amazon-facts/

- Click here to enjoy reading Rainforest Calling.
- Design your own rainforest animal. Think about what features they would need to be able to survive in the rainforest. What layer of the rainforest will it live in?
- Click here and use this descriptive word mat to write creatively about the rainforest.
- Find out how much of the rainforest is being cut down each year. What is it being replaced by? How long would it take for the rainforest to recover?
- Create your own rainforest in a bottle.
- Gather natural resources from the environment to create your own rainforest collage showcasing your research.



Explore the Arctic

https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/general-geography/ten-facts-about-the-arctic/

- Explore Arctic animals and their habitats. Research pictures of Arctic animals and see if there are any that you don't recognise or any that look similar to other animals that you know of. Look at how the animals are adapted to live in such cold conditions and at the same time look at Arctic habitats and how these help keep the animals alive too. Create fact files or posters about polar animals and their habitats.
- Design and create your own animal that could live here. What features would it need to survive? Draw and label your new animal.
- Write a newspaper report or act out a TV news bulletin about what is happening in the Arctic and the effect that global warming is having on the region and its inhabitants. Remember to include key features of a newspaper report. You will need a headline, to explain who and what the report is about, where the event happened, when it happened, an introduction, the main story including facts and quotes and finish with a conclusion.
- Look at the distance between the Arctic and different countries.
- Look on a map or a globe to see where the Arctic is and look at the countries around it.
- Click here to explore facts about animals that live there.



Explore Volcanoes

A volcano is an opening in the Earth's crust that allows magma, hot ash and gases to escape. Volcanoes can look like mountains or small hills, depending on what type they are.
Use the 3 links below to explore facts and find out how volcanoes are formed.
https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/physical-geography/volcano-facts/
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/zd9cxyc
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zwwxn39

- Click here to read and answer questions about volcanoes.
- Click here to find out how to create your own volcano.



Go-Jetters

Meet four adventure- Seeking superhero Go Jetters as they explore places around planet Earth.
https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/eyfs-ks1-geography-go-jetters/zj8ypg8







Explore the Antarctic

Antarctica is a desert – but it's not hot, it's really, really cold. It's called a desert because it hardly ever rains.

Find out more here https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zyhp34j/articles/zjg46v4

- Click here to enjoy reading the Runaway Iceberg eBook.
- Click here to find out about animals that live here. Can you create a fact file about one of the animals?
- Imagine that you are about to go on an expedition. Click here to explore what you would take with you to explore the Antarctic?

Discovery box

Create your own discovery box about a county or area that you have explored. Use a shoebox to display things that you have made or found linked to your country. Get creative. You could include

- A flag
- A map
- Images
- Important discoveries
- Climate information
- Anything else you find out from your research.



Countryside Code

Click here to learn about following the rules of the countryside and why those rules need to be followed, using these differentiated worksheets.

- What else can you find out about the Countryside Code?
- Create your own poster to encourage others to follow the rules.

Explore Rivers

A river is a moving body of water that flows from its source on high ground, across land, and then into another body of water, which could be a lake, the sea, an ocean or even another river.

Use the 2 links below to explore more about rivers and the water cycle.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z84q6f/articles/z7w8pg8

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zb39jxs

- Click here to complete a KS1 reading comprehension about Rivers.
- Click here to complete a KS2 reading comprehension about rivers.
- Explore maps online to follow the routes of different rivers? Are there any that pass through more than one country? What is the longest river?



Explore Mountains

Mountains are areas of land that are much higher than the land surrounding them. They are higher and usually steeper than a hill and are generally over 600 metres high. They are often found together in a group called a mountain range.

Explore more about mountains and animals that live there on the 3 links below.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z84q6f/articles/z4g3qp3

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zmfr87h

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z27tfg8

- Research a mountain from around the world. Record your research in a fun way. You could include What is special about the area? What is the climate like? What do people do for work? What is there for tourists to do? What environmental issues are there? Fun facts about the mountain.
- Research mountain ranges around the world and Click here to record your findings on this map
- Click here to enjoy reading The Man Who Bought a Mountain eBbook.



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