**Unit:** Children Around the World

**Theme:** People Around the World

**Essential Question:** How are we similar to and different from people around the world? **Focus Questions:**  What are globes and maps? What are people like around the world?

**Vocabulary:** globe, map, world, people, continent

**Materials:**

Paper, paper plate, or coffee filter

Blue & green crayons, markers, paint, or tissue paper

magazines

Crayons, scissors, glue, pencil

Playdough

Clothing cards (attached)

Matching game (attached)

Foam or wooden cone, cube, cylinder, and rectangular block

Letter A & X worksheets (attached)

Math Lesson 9 worksheet (see attached)

Clothespins

Index card or paper

**Read Alouds to View:**

*We Are All Alike, We Are All Differe*nt by the Cheltenham Elementary School Kindergarteners [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7h2sVeuDCiI*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7h2sVeuDCiI)

*Whoever You Are* by Mem Fox <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8BtVuY02VU>

*All Kinds of Children* by Norma Simon <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kyFyixSzn8>

*Swift Walker A Continental Journey* by Verlyn Tarlton <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nSKTiP78-0c>

*Same, Same but Different* by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ZSW3FbNEfo>

# *What We Wear: Dressing Up Around the World* by Maya Ajmera, Elise Hofer Derstine and Cynthia Pon <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xqeco-F17YU>

**Questions/Discussion Ideas after Read Alouds:**

\* How are children in the world like you?

\* How are you different?

\* In what ways are you similar and different?



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| **At Home Choice Board:**  Choose 2 activities to complete each school day! | | | | |
| Create a globe craft. Use a coffee filter, paper plate, or cut a circle from paper. Use blue & green crayons, paint, markers, or tissue paper to create land and oceans! | Create a collage of people from around the world. Discuss how all people look similar and different. They all need the same things. | Complete the math Lesson 9 worksheet (see attached) | Practice finding the faces on 3D shapes by pressing a foam or wooden cone, cube, cylinder, and rectangular block into playdough. | Learn about the letter A:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsb999VSvh8>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KGZFmW3uPJE>  Practice writing the letter A (Slant left. Slant right. slide.)! |
| Practice spelling your name! Write each letter on a clothespin. Clip the letters in the correct order on a index card or craft stick as shown: | Sing about the continents!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kXa66f8Xgsw> | Learn about the letter X:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RX9Pm9qj_QY>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3AQUDbEhTm8>  Practice writing the letter X (Slant right. Slant left.)! | Sing “What a Wonderful World”  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=isMVH0ccQOY> | Talk about what is shown on a map and a globe. How are they alike & different?  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ncR9lmC9VBg> |
| Learn about 3D shapes:    <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zPZegz690Mg> | Enjoy a video:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni_at59TzMA&t=2s> | Gingerbread Man Song:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wCZ3dzFK6BI&list=PLquv48BmmeZ_V9pCpoKp9ztMp8AEYQGK3> | Play a matching game with the cards attached. | Take a look at the different cultural clothing & dress up the paper doll. Make it into a puppet!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFDz_GZUeP4> |

**Unit:** Children Around the World

**Theme:** Places Around the World

**Essential Question:** How are we similar to and different from people around the world? **Focus Question:** What are places like around the world?

**Vocabulary:** landmark, world

**Materials:**

Letter Y & Z worksheets (attached)

Pencils

*My World* journal page (attached)

Family math newsletter (attached)

Math Lesson 1 & 5 worksheets (attached)

For slime: 1/2 cup [glue](https://www.amazon.com/Elmers-Liquid-School-Washable-Gallon/dp/B0006HUJJO/ref=as_li_ss_tl?&linkCode=ll1&tag=natubeaclivi-20&linkId=d43bad09c3458c79425b73069ac58c98), 1/2 teaspoon borax, 1 1/2 cups hot water, [blue & green food coloring](https://www.amazon.com/s/ref=as_li_ss_tl?url=search-alias=garden&field-keywords=food+coloring&sprefix=food+color,garden,193&crid=1TV1IUG07QLC1&linkCode=ll2&tag=natubeaclivi-20&linkId=ab715327e2c35823a42addfcc86da88a), glitter

Glue

Pennies

**Read Alouds to View:**

*Homes Around the World* by Clare Lewis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8SY6UMbro0>

*Schools Around the World* by Clare Lewis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gm6-lmkDOFk>

*Somewhere in the World* by Gina Cascone & Bryony Williams Sheppard <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QyQwTKN0Apw>

*The Smile that Went Around the World* by Patrice Karst <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nIsPaFFi4XA>

*Love the World* by Todd Parr [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9MjBPf](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9MjBPfHQZ0Y)

[HQZ0Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9MjBPfHQZ0Y)

**Questions/Discussion Ideas after Read Alouds:**

\* Listen to the stories. Discuss how all people live somewhere. Talk about how your homes are similar or different from ones you saw in the story.

\* Talk about the schools you see in the story. Which look like your school?

\* Discuss how all over the world, there are children that need homes, food, love, and clothing. Talk about how they may differ from you.

\* Review your child’s full name, age, birthday, and address!



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| **At Home Choice Board:**  Choose 2 activities to complete each school day! | | | | |
| Take a look at different types of houses in the world!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gKmt36dJBrA> | Check out how schools look around the world! Discuss what you see!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=at2gAjtsgtk> | Draw a picture of a globe. Draw what you would see all over the world- people, homes, animals, etc.  Use the *My World* journal page. | Practice writing the letter Y- Slant right. Slant left. Pull down.. (see attached) | Learn about the letters Y & Z  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8PdL8ydI28>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HysVxhemAe4> |
| Make your own Earth slime!    <https://www.naturalbeachliving.com/earth-day-slime-recipe-with-borax/> | Sing “It’s a Small World” and enjoy a Virtual Field Trip:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I2Do309e4YU> | Practice writing the letter Z- Slide. Slant left. Slide. (see attached) | See landmarks from all over the world! Can you build one from legos, blocks, or boxes at home?  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDCXqaYWn-U> | Go on a scavenger hunt in your house! Find something that is shaped like a cylinder, cone, cube, rectangular block, and sphere! |
| Work out to the letter sounds and get moving!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gi1dwHp1ppU&t=2s> | Practice showing the numbers 6 & 7:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anYJvL9kZoU>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PfEqSjgW4tk> | Complete the Lesson 5 math worksheet (see attached) | Complete math lesson 1 (see attached.).  Practice counting to 6 & 7. | Line up 6 & 7 pennies in different arrangements. Practice counting them. |

**Unit:** Children Around the World

**Theme:** Celebrations Around the World

**Essential Question:** How are we similar to and different from people around the world? **Focus Question:** How do people celebrate around the world?

**Vocabulary:** celebrate, tradition, holiday

**Materials:**

letter U worksheet (attached)

letter J worksheet (attached)

crayons

*My Family Tradition* journal page (attached)

Paper

Glue

Math “6 & 7 Puzzles” (attached)

Math Lesson 8 & 9 worksheets (attached)

Math Lesson 10 worksheet (attached)

**Read Alouds to View:**

*Let's Celebrate! Special Days Around the World* by Kate DePalma <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTLNHW3ZqE8>

*Binny's Diwali* by Thrity Umrigar <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ne3cJCL2_YA>

*El Dia de los Muertos: A Bilingual Celebration* by Bob Barner <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rNHWnv3TRxA>

# *My First Ramadan* by Karen Katz <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_0EWsn83TGk>

*Celebrations* by Samantha Berger & Daniel Moreton <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ljDRrsFiaxQ>

**Questions/Discussion Ideas after Read Alouds:**

\* What do people celebrate? What does your family celebrate?  
\* How do you celebrate? When do you dress up, use candles, see fireworks, or make a special food?



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| **At Home Choice Board:**  Choose 2 activities to complete each school day! | | | | |
| Learn about the letters U!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nPJRhEV-kF8>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IF59Xs60uRM> | Draw a picture of a way your family celebrates a holiday!  Use the *My Family Tradition* journal page. | Learn how children celebrate birthdays around the world!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jrTgtX8q9k&t=63s> | Practice writing the letter U.- curve forward (see attached)  Practice writing the letter J- curve back. slide.. (see attached) | Learn about some holidays around the world:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Sv0ac-W8Vc> |
| Try a new recipe from a different country! Here are some ideas:  <https://www.kids-cooking-activities.com/international-gourmet-recipes.html> | Practice making different groups of 6 & 7, breaking them apart in different ways. Use the “6 & 7 Puzzles” | Learn about Burmese New Year:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2p-2GdsGQUQ> | Celebrate Africa with one of these crafts:  <https://artsycraftsymom.com/african-crafts-for-kids/> | Practice counting to 6 & 7 in circular arrangements. Use the Lesson 8 & 9 worksheets. |
| After listening to the story, make a craft about Diwali:  <https://theeducatorsspinonit.com/easy-diwali-crafts-for-kids/> | Learn about the letters J!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wNIYNyG37g>  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KXX6fCKWes> | Try a fun song to get you moving!  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFQWVN4xip0> | Complete Math Lesson 10 worksheet. Draw tally marks for the animals as you count them (see attached)! ! | After listening to the story, make a craft for Ramadan:  <https://artsycraftsymom.com/10-ramadan-crafts-and-activities-for-kids/> |

**Unit:** Children Around the World

**Theme:**  Christmas Around the World

**Essential Question:** How are we similar to and different from people around the world? **Focus Question:** How do people celebrate Christmas around the world?

**Vocabulary:** Christmas, holiday, tradition, celebration, custom

**Materials:**

Wooden shoe craft (see attached)

Pinata craft: styrofoam cup, crayons, pencil, string/ribbon, candies, scissors, tissue paper, rubber band

Glue

2 different colored pieces of paper

scissors

Playdough

paper

**Read Alouds to View:**

*Christmas Around the World*  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7R0eOt7O3Po>

*Hanna’s Christmas* by Melissa Peterson <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bbg4KFxVbTk>

*An Aussie Night Before Christmas* by Yvonne Morrison <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lLlKVy62j3k>

*Santa is Coming to Australia* by Emma Nash[*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HbZk5ntGiSY*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HbZk5ntGiSY)

*The Night Before Christmas* by Clement C. Moore <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TsvvCme40_w>

**Questions/Discussion Ideas after Read Alouds:**

\* How does your family celebrate Christmas?

\*How do other people celebrate?  
\*What traditions from other countries seem fun?



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| **At Home Choice Board:**  Choose 2 activities to complete each school day! | | | | |
| Learn about Christmas in Brazil:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IpPzQR77Qe8>  Watch fireworks display from a past Christmas:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdYBv8ryYWk> | Check out this website to learn about more customs:  <https://www.whychristmas.com/>  Here’s another video:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kZy-JLb7noA> | Learn about Christmas in Holland: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EQ1izMpi004>  Make a wooden shoe craft (see attached) | Learn about Christmas in Mexico:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQnkdAExoyo>  Make a pinata (see attached)  Styrofoam cup pinata | Use playdough and cookie cutters to make Christmas cookies- or make some real ones!  Listen to Christmas carols as you do it! |
| Make a Christmas tree with the letters of your name!    Draw and write about your family’s Christmas celebrations! | Learn about Christmas in Sweden:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bbg4KFxVbTk>  Make a woven heart: | Practice the alphabet with this fun Christmas song:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pn9ZA9QPhNU> | Learn about Christmas in France:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1vwg3P0SFBI>  Make a Yule Log (see attached): | Practice counting:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=38_a6IDxYw8> |

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| **MY COMMUNITY READING LOG**  **Read a story EVERY DAY!!** Draw a star or smiley face or place a sticker on the date when done! | | | | | | |
| **November/December** | | | | | | |
| **29** | **30** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
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**Math Lessons:**

\*\*\*Click on the links below to see full lessons and activities to support the skills.\*\*

Week 1:

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-2-topic-c-lesson-9>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-2-topic-c-lesson-10>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-2-topic-c-lesson-11>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-2-topic-c-lesson-12>

Week 2:

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-a-lesson-1>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-a-lesson-2>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-a-lesson-3>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-a-lesson-4>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-a-lesson-5>

Week 3:

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-6>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-7>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-8>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-9>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-10>

Week 4:

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/prekindergarten-mathematics-module-3-topic-b-lesson-11>