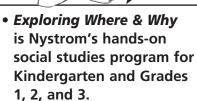
What is Exploring Where & Why?



CAPIONING Where Why

We call our program EWW for short.

A Social Studies Program for the Primary Grades



 Exploring Where & Why reinforces reading, writing, and oral language development, as well as math skills such as numbers, counting, graphing, and charting. Exploring Where & Why's
 activity-based lessons integrate hands-on and print
 materials for the spiral
 development of basic social
 studies concepts and skills.

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What does Exploring Where & Why do?

Builds a solid foundation of essential social studies skills and concepts.

Develops responsible citizens—in the community, country, and world.

Develops multicultural awareness and sensitivity.

Reinforces reading, writing, math, and science.

Develops critical thinking skills.

Integrates frequent assessment and evaluation.

Stimulates a variety of intelligences.

Provides learning opportunities for diverse student populations.

Ensures success for all students.





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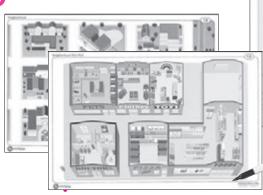
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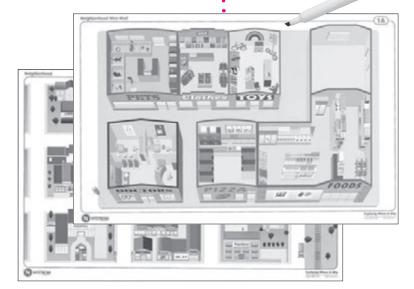
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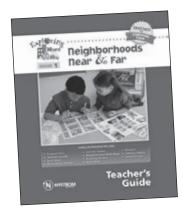
TWO THEMES...NEAR AND FAR

- Focus moves from the world students know best—their neighborhood—to the larger, less familiar world—the United States and the World.
- Lessons integrate the social sciences...civics, culture, economics, geography, and history—in age-appropriate contexts.
- EWW builds a framework for studying people and places near and farnow, long ago, and even in the future.

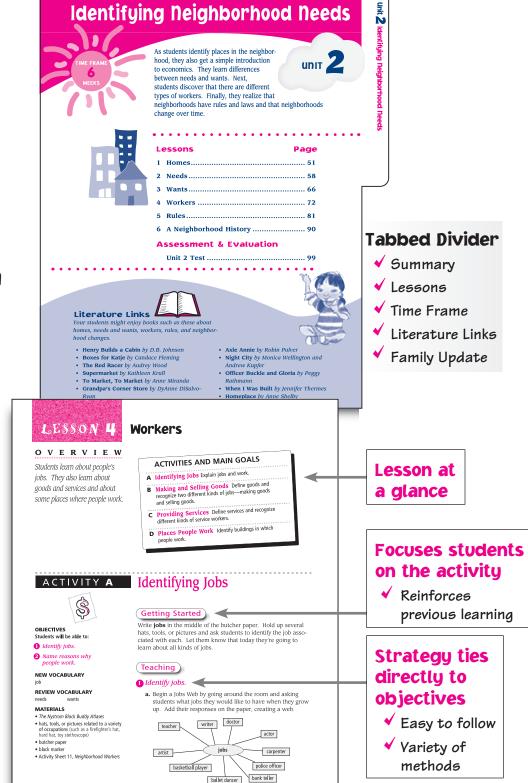
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Teacher's Guide... A Closer Look



6 Units Lessons for a full curriculum



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Step-By-Step Lesson Plans

Lessons

- 2-5 activities
- √ 15-20 minutes each

Icons

- ✓ Highlight technology and portfolio features
- ✓ Identify key topics

For Each Activity

72 UNIT 2 Identifying Neighborhood Needs

- ✓ Objectives
- ✓ Vocabulary
- Materials

Everything you need for the whole year!



Activity Sheets

- ✓ Pull lesson together
- Graphic organizers
- ✓ Use critical thinking skills

d. Help students identify similarities, asking:

- How are this map and this globe alike?
 Do they both show the yellow land? (yes) The other land? (yes) The water? (yes)
 Do they both show the world? (yes)

Record their responses in the Both section of the diagram

Summarizing and Assessing

Display Desk Map 1D on one side of the room and a globe on the other. Read the following questions. Have students point to the appropriate object(s).

- Which shows us the world? (map, globe)
 Which is round like a ball? (globe)
 Which is flat? (map)
 Which shows us the earth's land? (map, globe)
 Which shows us the earth's water? (map, globe)
- Which is harder to carry? (globe)

Collect materials using your own procedure or one suggested on

LANGUAGE ARTS Describe and Compare—In this lesson, a globe is described as round as a ball; a map is flat as a rug. Have students compare maps and globes to other objects in the same way. For example, they might describe a globe as round as a marble or colorful as a rainbow

ASSESSING LESSON 2

Working with six students at a time, give each a globe. Have them do the following.

- Hold up a model of the earth.
 Then set it down.
- Show me with your hands the shape of the earth.
- Point to land on the globe.
- Point to water on the globe

REVIEW, REINFORCE, REFLECT

Review the lesson by playing Land or Water? (See pages xii–xiii for ideas on using Review, Reinforce, Reflect.)

Ask a student to close his or her eyes as you turn or spin the globe. Have the student put a finger on the globe and open his or her eyes. Then ask:

Are you pointing to land or water? Let students play the game in groups.

Exploring Where & Why GRADE 1

Questioning Strategy

✓ Clearly marked

Summarizing and Assessing

- ✓ For every activity
- ✓ Checks student progress

Cross Curricular **Activities**

✓ Marked by icons

Lesson Closure

- ✓ Wrapping up
- ✓ Reviews, reinforces, and reflects on lesson

Unit Closure

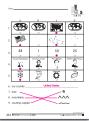
- √ Assessment & Evaluation
- ✓ Formal preand post-test
- ✓ Informal testing options

UNIT 5

140 Unit 4 Exploring Globes

ASSESSMENT

EVALUATION



PORTFOLIOS

SCHOOL & HOME

1. Distribute the Unit 5 Test. Tell students:

Unit Assessment

- Look at one row of pictures at a time.
 For each row, I will tell you the kind of picture, number, or words to find.
- Then fill in the circle below the correct one
- a. For each numbered row, have students mark the box or boxes that show:

 - tes that show:

 1. a map with your country colored (1)

 2. a symbol of our country (2)

 3. the number of states in the United States (1)

 4. the first president of the United States (1)

 5. the coldest season (1)

The number of correct responses is shown in parentheses. There is a total of 10 correct responses in this step and

- **b.** Direct students' attention to item 6. Have them write in the name of their country.
- c. For items 7, 8, and 9, read the three items to the class. Then have students draw a line to connect each one with the correct symbol.
- **d.** Bonus point: on the back of the page, have students write the name of their state.
- 2. Collect papers and check responses

- Distribute Desk Maps 1C/1D and map markers. Have students turn to 1C. Ask them to:
 - Outline the state we live in Outline a lake.

 - Trace a river.
 Underline the name of our country's capital.

2. Write the following holidays on the board. Have students explain what each one celebrates:

- Thanksgiving
 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Independence Day
- Presidents' Day Memorial Day

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Common Core Lessons

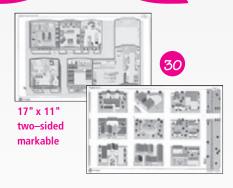
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These 15 lessons:

- ✓ Complement other lessons in this program.
- ✓ Correlate directly with grade 1 Common Core Standards.
- ✓ Utilize additional resources from the Block Buddy Atlas e-book.

Student Materials... A Closer Look

60 Desk Maps





Desk Maps reflect two themes, Near and Far.

NEAR 1A NEIGHBORHOOD MINI-MALL 1B NEIGHBORHOOD

Use sides 1A and 1B to:

- introduce economic concepts needs and wants goods and services
- compare neighborhoods places to live and to work places to buy things and to get help places to learn and to play
- introduce map skills and concepts

FAR 1C UNITED STATES 1D WORLD

Use sides 1C and 1D to:

- develop map skills and concepts
- locate where we live
- name states
- locate where other people live
- name continents and oceans

2 Wall Maps



Wall Maps match Desk Maps 1A Neighborhood Mini-Mall and 1B Neighborhood.

Use Wall Maps to:

- model activities
- demonstrate skills and concepts
- engage students in whole-class activities
- assess comprehension

50" x 33" markable

6 Activity Globes 9" diameter markable

Globes correlate with World Desk Map and Atlas.

Use Activity Globes to:

- show that a globe is a model of the earth
- compare a globe with a world map
- learn locations of land and water
- demonstrate day and night

X

1 Floor Map & 20 Building Models



Map of 1B Neighborhood on Side 1. 20 Building Models match the map. Activity Map of another neighborhood on Side 2.

Use the Floor Map and Models to:

- demonstrate how maps represent three-dimensional places
- involve students in hands-on activities
- engage students in critical thinking activities

15 Block Buddy Atlases



8 1/2 " x 11 " 48 pages full color

The Nystrom Block Buddy Atlas is integrated with the lessons.

Use Block Buddy Atlases to:

- compare neighborhoods, including your own
- expand concepts and themes: similarities and differences, needs and wants, diversity, change
- link "near" and "far" through photos and maps
- introduce map skills and geography concepts
- teach beginning reference skills
- add a rich multicultural dimension



12 age-appropriate books to support Grade 1 content.

Use the Literacy Library to:

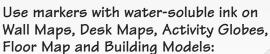
- support reading through social studies
- extend the learning with cross-curricular activities
- read engaging stories to the class or have students read them

EWWnet.com

Extra ideas and activities to extend and reinforce concepts and skills.

- interdisciplinary activity ideas
- literature links
- social studies links
- supplemental classroom resources

34 Markers



 easy to clean with a damp paper towel



LESSON 4

Our Neighborhood

OVERVIEW

This lesson introduces students to the concept of a neighborhood. They draw routes on a neighborhood map and make a bar graph of ways they get to school.

ACTIVITIES AND MAIN GOALS

- A Places in a Neighborhood Introduce the term neighborhood.
- **B** Routes to School Show routes on a map.
- C Transportation to School Discuss how students get to school and compile a bar graph.



OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

- 1 Name places in a neighborhood.
- **2** Explain what makes up a neighborhood.

NEW VOCABULARY

neighborhood

MATERIALS

- Desk Maps 1A/1B
- Wall Map 1B
- map markers
- paper towels for cleanup

Places in a Neighborhood

Getting Started

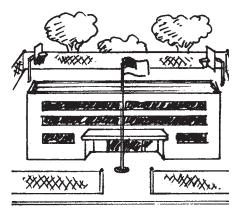
Tell students the following riddle.

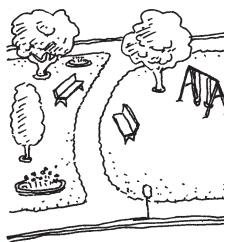
- I have homes and stores.
- I have lots of families.
- ◆ I might even have a school or two.
- I rhyme with the word wood.
- ♦ What am I? (a neighborhood)

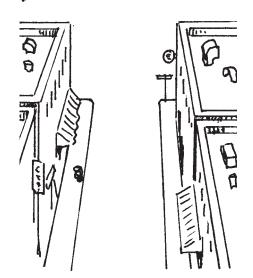
Have students try to solve the riddle. If necessary, provide more clues, like names of neighborhoods your students know, until they solve the riddle. Write **neighborhood** on the board.

Teaching

- Name places in a neighborhood.
 - **a.** To distribute desk maps and map markers, follow your own procedure or one suggested on pages xii-xiii.
 - **b.** Display Wall Map 1B. Use it to model the following steps:
 - 1) Have students turn their desk map to side 1B. Tell them that this map shows a neighborhood. Say:
 - Your neighborhood is the area around your home.







- 2) To help students name places they see, point out a house on the wall map and mark it with an **H**. Ask students to do the same on their desk maps.
- 3) Ask the following, having a student mark the wall map while other students mark their desk maps.
 - ◆ Can you find a park? Mark it P.
 - Can you find a store? Mark it S.
 - What else can you find in the picture?

2 Explain what makes up a neighborhood.

- **a.** Write **neighborhood** on the board and ask:
 - What places make a neighborhood?

List students' responses.

- **b.** Point out that neighborhoods include homes. They can also include parks, schools, and stores.
- **c.** Have several students describe their neighborhoods. Point out that everyone has a neighborhood. However, not everyone has the same neighborhood.
- **d.** Ask students:
 - Does the picture map show any homes?
 - Does the map show a park?
 - Does it show a school?
 - Does it show stores?
 - Is this a picture of a neighborhood?

Summarizing and Assessing

Ask students what a neighborhood is. (the area around your home) For each of the following, have students mark their desk maps and hold them up.

- Circle a house.
- Put a box around the school.
- Put an X on the park.

Clean and collect materials using your own procedure or one suggested on pages xii-xiii.

Extending

READING Review Vocabulary—Work with ESL students on the pronunciation of the word neighborhood. Also identify and translate other neighborhood words—like home, school, park, and store.

Routes to School



OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

- Find a home and a school on a map.
- **2** Draw a route from home to school.

NEW VOCABULARY

route

REVIEW VOCABULARY

neighborhood

MATERIALS

- Desk Maps 1A/1B
- Wall Map 1B
- map markers
- paper towels for cleanup

Getting Started

Before heading to the lunchroom, washrooms, or playground, ask:

- How do we get to the _____
- Are there any other ways to get there?

Take one of the routes suggested to get there. Take a different route back. Let students know that today they'll be trying to find the best way to get to a school.

Teaching

- 1) Find a home and a school on a map.
 - **a.** Distribute desk maps and map markers. Display Wall Map 1B.
 - **b.** Have students turn to side 1B of their desk maps. Have a student point to a home on Wall Map 1B. Have the rest of the class point to the same building on their desk maps. Label this building with an **H** on the wall map as students do the same on their desk maps.
 - **c.** Next, ask students to find the school on the desk map. When they find it, have them stand up. Have one student point it out on the wall map. Then ask:
 - How do you know this is a school?
 - **d.** On the wall map, put an **S** on the school as students do the same on their desk maps.

2 Draw a route from home to school.

- **a.** Write **route** on the board. Have students say it, spell it, and say it again. Explain that a route is a path from one place to another.
- **b.** Tell students that they are going to find a route between the home and the school. On the wall map, point out the *H* (home) and *S* (school).
- c. On the wall map, describe and draw a very roundabout route between the home and school—stopping to climb a tree and look at toys in the store window. Ask:
 - Is this the best way to get to school?
 - What's wrong with it?

- **d.** Next, draw a route that takes you over the top of buildings and through other people's yards. Again ask:
 - Is this the best way to get to school?
 - What's wrong with it?

Help students understand that they should draw their route along sidewalks and across streets at corners.

- **e.** Ask students to draw the shortest route from the home to the school on their desk maps. Have them hold up their maps when they're finished.
- **f.** Have several students draw their routes on the wall map. For each route, ask if this is the shortest and safest way to get to school.
- **g.** Lead students to conclude that there are often several different ways to get from one place to another. However, some of the ways are shorter and safer than others.

Summarizing and Assessing

Have students use their desk maps to do the following. Then have them hold up their maps so you can check their work.

- ♦ Put an H on another home.
- Draw a route from there to school.

Clean and collect materials.



OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

- **1** Identify how they get to school.
- **2** Contribute to a bar graph showing how students get to school.

NEW VOCABULARY

graph

Transportation to School

Getting Started

Begin by telling students how you get to school—by walking, by car, by bus. Then ask:

How did you get to school today?

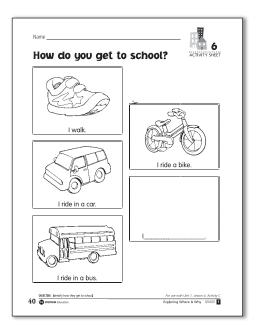
Then tell them that today they'll learn about how the students in this class get to school.

Teaching

- Identify how they get to school.
 - **a.** Hand out Activity Sheet 6, How do you get to school? Help students read the title. Then have them read the sentences

MATERIALS

- Activity Sheet 6, How do you get to school?
- crayons or markers
- scissors
- butcher paper
- tape



ACTIVITY SHEET 6

- on the activity sheet, using the illustrations as clues. Point out that the last box is empty, in case someone has a different way to get to school.
- **b.** Model how to complete the activity sheet.
 - 1) Remind students how you got to school this morning.
 - 2) Point out the appropriate picture on the activity sheet.
 - 3) Color that picture.
 - 4) Cut out the square.
- c. Have students follow the same steps to complete their activity sheets. If any students have a different way to get to school, help them complete the sentence. Also have them draw a picture of their method.

2 Contribute to a bar graph showing how students get to school.

a. As students are working, draw a blank **graph** like this one on the butcher paper.

	Ways We Get to School
walk	
car	
bike	
bus	
other	

- **b.** Help students read the labels on the graph. Tell them that this graph will help them compare numbers of students who get to school in different ways.
- **c.** Call students up, table by table or row by row. Have each student read the appropriate sentence under his or her picture. Ask the student to locate the appropriate row on the graph. Help the student tape the picture in place.
- **d.** Continue until all the pictures are on the graph.
- **e.** For each way of getting to school, point to the correct row. Have students count aloud the pictures in that row. Ask:
 - How many students get to school in this way?
- **f.** To conclude, ask:
 - Which way do the most students get to school?
 - Which way do the fewest students get to school?

Summarizing and Assessing

Point to the chart and ask questions like the ones below. Have students answer by holding up the correct number of fingers.

- ♦ How many students in this class walk to school?
- How many take the bus?
- How many ride a bike?

Extending

CULTURE Link to Literature —Read Edith Baer's This Is the Way We Go to School to your class. Discuss how people around the world get to school. Then, as a class, write and illustrate your own version of the story.

ASSESSING LESSON 4

Read the following questions. Have students raise their hands if the answer is yes.

- Is a neighborhood the area around your home? (yes)
- Is the best way to get to school through buildings and yards? (no)
- Is it safest to walk on sidewalks and cross streets at corners? (yes)
- Do most students in our class walk to school?

REVIEW, REINFORCE, REFLECT

Reinforce the lesson by playing the following game with your students. (See pages xii–xiii for ideas on using Review, Reinforce, Reflect.)

Have students sit in a circle. Ask each student to tell the class something that he or she saw on the route to school that day. Challenge students not to repeat what someone else said. Model by saying:

 On my route to school today, I saw a



How do you get to school?

