

Family Tree & Heritage Map



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Preschoolers
2.5 - 4 years

The students will be able to identify family members by first name, find country of ancestry on large world map, and match photographs of family members to their roles on the tree.

Learning Outcomes

Domain:

Social

Skills:

Identification

Indicator:

Identifying family members' roles.
Learning the countries of where ancestors are from.
Waiting turns to share.



Materials

- Copy of family tree and map for each child
- Laminated copy of PDF of blank family tree
- Large classroom world map
- Small sticky notes
- Photograph of child's family members
- Envelopes with each child's name
- Bin



Instructions

Step 1: Have each parent/guardian fill out the provided family tree and world map. They should also send a separate photo of child, mom, dad, and both sets of grandparents (this can be a digital copy if you are able to print on site).

Step 2: Designate time for a few children each day to share their family tree and show the photos. Have a large laminated world map in the middle of the rug and the children gather around it. When each child shares where their family is from, you can mark the map with a post-it with each child's name.

Step 3: Place each child's group of photos in an envelope labeled with their first and last name and place them all in a bin located near the literacy/writing center. In that same bin should be a laminated copy of the blank family tree. Children can find their labeled envelope and then practice placing the photos on their family tree trying to place them under the correct "role."

Step 4: When done practicing placing their photos on their family tree, the student can place their photos back in the envelope and back in the designated bin so another student can try.

Playful Questions

- What is your mommy's name? Daddy's name? Grandparents' names?
- What is the name of the country we live in?
- Where did mommy and daddy grow up?
- Where did my grandparents grow up?
- What is different about where my ancestors grew up?



Child's Name _____

Please help your child fill out the following questions

1. What country is your mom's side of the family from? _____ Color that country **red** on the map above
2. What country is your dad's side of the family from? _____ Color that country **blue** on the map above
3. Is there anything interesting you would like us to know about your ancestry? _____

