

Monthly Newsletter



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Geography is a subject that students need to review, as it is constantly changing. Infotopia links to recommended resources that include maps, demographics, travel information, flags, country comparisons, anthems of the world, and more.

http://www.infotopia.info/geography travel.html

What are our favorites?



http://bit.ly/1ju9ux8

The CIA World Factbook includes geography, people and society, government, economy, energy, communications, transportation, military and security, and transnational issues for each country. In addition, the user can look at country comparisons for many topics, including population, birth rate, GDP, education, and geographical area. (Click on "Guide to Country Comparisons.")

Ask students trivia questions to get them involved, such as the following:

- *Which country in the world has the largest population?
- *Which country has the oldest median age?
- *Which country has the most cell phones?
- *Which country has the most airports?
- *Which country has the most Internet users?



RefDesk.com links to atlases, latitude and longitude information, maps, and more.

http://www.refdesk.com/factmaps.html

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Download the Chrome extension (coming soon to Firefox), install the extension, and choose your local library. I belong to two libraries, so I added both of them.

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Quotes from Dr. Seuss

https://www.goodreads.com/author/quotes/61105.Dr Seuss



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Read Across America—Promotional Kit

http://www.nea.org/grants/61668.htm



Read Across America—Printable Activities

http://bit.ly/1hpKa99

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Kidtopja

Are your students interested in online drawing, painting, and comic creation web sites? Try **Kidtopia Arts: Drawing and Painting** at:

http://www.kidtopia.info/drawing_painting.html

Explore the following:

- Comic Creation Tools for Kids
 - o Make Your Own Captain Underpants
 - PBS Kids Comic Creator
 - Make Beliefs Comix
 - Garfield's Comic Creator
- WebMuseum: Famous Paintings
- Matisse for Kids
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