

# Welcome to Planet Earth!

Though it's hard to imagine walking from one end of our big state to the other, Michigan is actually just a small speck on this big, big world! This year we'll travel all over the globe as we study places in every corner of the earth, so we should get to know where everything is at.

**TASK:** Follow the directions below as you explore and fill in the empty map.

1. First use an atlas to help you find and label the seven continents in GREEN:

1. North America
2. South America
3. Europe
4. Africa

↓  
IN  
BLACK

5. Asia
6. Australia
7. Antarctica

↑  
COLOR IN

2. Next, label the following bodies of water using BLUE:

1. Atlantic Ocean
2. Pacific Ocean
3. Arctic Ocean
4. Indian Ocean

↑  
IN  
BLACK

↑  
COLOR IN

3. Mark and label the equator using ORANGE

↳ IN BLACK

← COLOR IN

4. Mark and label the Prime Meridian using the color PURPLE

↳ IN BLACK

← COLOR IN

5. Circle the compass rose using RED

6. In the space at the bottom on the LEFT side, copy this reminder story about the continents:

*North America married South America. They went to Europe for their honeymoon. They have four children with A names: Asia, Africa, Australia, and Antarctica.*

7. In the space at the bottom on the RIGHT side, create an acronym that helps you remember the directions on the compass rose N-E-S-W. The one I use is Never Eat Sour Watermelons. What can you create that you'll always remember?

8. You're almost done. Now just circle Michigan on your map in YELLOW and you'll see where we fit into the big picture!

# World Map

