Elementary Social Studies Lesson Plan

Geography Hunt

- Lesson Plan Notes:
  - This lesson is intended for a small group structure
  - Prior knowledge needed:
    - students know how to move between the maps on Interactive Whiteboard

- Skill:
  - Student understands geographic terms

- Sunshine State Standard
  - SS.3.G.1.3 - Label the continents and oceans on a world map.

- Materials needed:
  - Electronic newspaper
  - Interactive whiteboard (IAWB)
  - Paper
  - Pencil

- Time Allotment:
  - 15-20 minutes

- Activity:
  - Before class:
    - Using the interactive whiteboard, cut/copy a local map, a state map, a US map and a world map
    - Have the maps available to bring back during the lesson
  - During class:
    - On the IAWB, display the front page of the paper
    - Have students read, skim and scan the front page to try to find the following:
      - A foreign city
      - A U.S. city
      - A local town
      - A local neighborhood
      - A foreign country
      - A body of water
    - Make sure that there is access to the maps you gathered before class and that students know how to move between the maps
    - Using the IAWB, students will select the appropriate map and place the location on the map
  - Extension/Enrichment:
    - Keep a map throughout the year and see how many different places your students can find

- Assessment:
  - Student found appropriate information from the newspaper
- Student was able to correctly place location on the map