

Geography 4 Legends & Leagues

Scripted Lesson Plans



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INTRODUCTION

Although it is impossible for anyone to know everything there is to know about everything, the *Legends and Leagues* geography books give children an overview of the world's geography so that they can be equipped with a bit of knowledge about each part of Earth. When a child finds delight in a particular place or culture, encourage him or her to take that morsel of knowledge and grow it by researching the topic of interest. Consider this course a greenhouse, where seeds of knowledge are planted and germinated. If a child is ready to grow in their knowledge of a subject being studied, take the time to cultivate that content area!

GRADE BY GRADE

Below is the grade-by-grade breakdown for Geography:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Curriculum</u>
1 st	<i>Legends & Leagues</i>
2 nd	<i>Legends & Leagues South</i>
3 rd	<i>Legends & Leagues East</i>
4 th	<i>Legends & Leagues North</i>
5 th	<i>Legends & Leagues West</i>

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

1. Become familiar with the *Legends & Leagues* storybook and the accompanying workbook used in the grade your child is studying. Be sure to read “How to Use This Workbook: A Note to Teachers” on page 4 of the Workbook for a helpful overview of the materials.
2. Refer to the Veritas Press Scholars Lesson Plans, Lesson 1 for Books and Materials that will be needed to begin.
3. You are ready to begin.

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS

This curriculum was written to span the entire school year. Ordinarily, the children should complete two lessons every other week. Of course, you may adapt the pacing to fit your own needs.

South, East, North, and West may be used in any grade, 2nd – 5th. The order we chose is based loosely on the region in the world that is studied each year in our Veritas Press History Series, but the correspondence is not a strong one, so please feel free to study them in a different order.

The workbooks are intended to provide an overabundance of material to choose from, and these lessons intentionally skip some of the pages in the workbook. You may substitute any of the worksheets in order to meet your particular educational needs.

The children will be learning songs from the *Geography Songs CD* (and *States & Capitals Songs CD* in the West series). Sometimes the songs will correspond with the lesson. Others times they will not. The primary purpose for the songs is to introduce the children to the names and places on the map. Practice these songs daily with your other memory work. Use the maps that come with the CDs while singing the songs. The children may find it fun to point to the places while singing the songs.

Pages in the Workbook are perforated. You are encouraged to tear out and set aside the tests and optional quizzes before starting. The Appendix provides answers to the worksheets, tests and quizzes.

Legends & Leagues North

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to *Kings & Queens & Alice* and *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*.

TEACHING

1. Tell the children, “Today we will be starting to read a comical book to help you learn about geography— *Kings & Queens & Alice*! As you read, pay close attention, because there will be some workbook questions about the story. But before we do that, we are going to listen to a geography song about oceans and continents.”
2. Following the instructions on page 5 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “Oceans and Continents” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
3. Read chapter 1 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 5 of the workbook as needed.
4. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 5 of the workbook.

ASSIGNMENT

None

Oceans

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Globe or world map

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the world's oceans and the North.

TEACHING

1. Play the “Oceans and Continents” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read page 6 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook* with the children. Have them complete the map on pages 6–7 of the workbook following the directions on page 6.
3. Ask the children, “What are the four cardinal directions?”
North, South, East and West
Tell them, “Today we will be learning more about North. Look at page eight of your workbook.”
4. Review the list of Northernmost Things on page 8 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Use a globe or world map so that the children can see the places on the chart. Have the children answer the questions at the bottom of the page, assisting when necessary.

ASSIGNMENT

None

England

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Globe or world map
Colored pencils

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of England.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 9 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “British Isles” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 2 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 9 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 9 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 10 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children find England on a globe or world map.
5. Next, point out to the children that the flag of England can be found just below the map. Encourage them to look for the flags of the countries being studied in later chapters of the workbook.
6. With the children, read page 11 of the workbook aloud. Have the children complete the questions on the bottom of the page.

ALERT: There are two columns of questions at the bottom of page 11 (and many subsequent workbook pages). Younger children should be required to answer only the left column (titled “THIS WAY”), while older children should be able to complete both columns (both “THIS WAY” and “THAT WAY”).

7. With the children, read page 12 of the workbook. Have the children create their own version of a flag for the United Kingdom.

ASSIGNMENT

England Worksheet

COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 11 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Scotland

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Scotland.

TEACHING

1. Play the “British Isles” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 14 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children compare the location of Scotland to that of England.
3. Read page 16 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook* with the children.
4. Ask the children, “What is Iona?”
A small Scottish island
Next, ask them, “For what is Iona known?”
Answers may vary, but could include its numerous stone carvings, Columba’s home, and the abbey there

ASSIGNMENT

Scotland Worksheet

COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 15 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Wales and Northern Ireland

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Blank paper

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Wales and Northern Ireland.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 17 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “British Isles” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 3 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 17 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 17 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 18 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children compare the location of Wales and Northern Ireland to the countries studied thus far.
5. With the children, read page 20 of the workbook. Instruct the children on using the edge of a blank piece of paper to measure the distance between Swansea and Cardiff.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Wales and Northern Ireland Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 19 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Graphic Scale Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the questions at the bottom of page 20 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

Ireland

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Colored pencils

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Ireland.

TEACHING

1. Play the “British Isles” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 22 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children compare the location of Ireland compared to that of other countries studied thus far.
3. Read page 24 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook* with the children. Have the children color the drawing at the bottom of the page following the directions provided.

ALERT: One of today's assignments is an optional quiz. This is the first of four quizzes that will be presented throughout the course.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Ireland Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 23 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Map COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the map on page 26 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

3. Quiz (optional) COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the quiz covering chapters 1–3 on page 153 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

France

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of France.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 27 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “Western Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 4 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 27 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 27 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 28 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children compare the location of France to the countries studied thus far.

ASSIGNMENT

1. France Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 29 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Compass Rose Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 31 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Benelux

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Colored pencils

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg.

TEACHING

1. Play the “Western Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 32 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children compare the location of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg to France. When possible, continue to study future maps by comparing the featured country or countries to countries previously studied.
3. With the children, read page 34 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Have the children color the flags at the bottom of the page following the directions provided.

ASSIGNMENT

Benelux Worksheet

COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 33 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Austria and Monaco

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Austria and Monaco.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 35 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “Western Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 5 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 35 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 35 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 36 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Austria and Monaco Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 37 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Alps Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 39 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Germany

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Colored pencils

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Germany.

TEACHING

1. Have the children sing the “Western Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 40 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*.
3. With the children, read page 42 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*.

ALERT: Review the materials list for Lesson 12. The children will need eggs, milk, sugar, salt and flour to complete the lesson.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Germany Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 41 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Rhine River Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the questions at the bottom of page 42 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

3. Map COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the map on page 44 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 45 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “Eastern Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 6 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 45 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 45 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 46 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.
5. With the children, read page 48 of the workbook. Ask the children, “What are the colors of amber pieces found in Lithuania?”
Yellow, honey-like color, all the way to a deep red color
Next, ask, “Which Russian city has the largest deposits of Baltic amber?”
Kaliningrad
Ask, “What has been found trapped inside pieces of amber?”
Insects, spiders, reptiles, and plants

ASSIGNMENT

Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania Worksheet

COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 47 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

Poland

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Eggs
Milk
Sugar
Salt
Flour

OBJECTIVE

The children will review the culture of the Baltic States and be introduced to the geography and culture of Poland.

TEACHING

1. Have the children sing the “Eastern Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 50 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*.
3. With the children, read page 49 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*. Ask the children, “Which country’s legend is your favorite, and why?”
Answers will vary
4. With the children, make the recipe for Nalesniki found on page 52 of the workbook.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Poland Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 51 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Quiz (optional) COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the quiz covering chapters 4–6 on page 155 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

Czech Republic and Slovakia

BOOKS

Kings & Queens & Alice
Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS**OBJECTIVE**

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Czech Republic and Slovakia.

TEACHING

1. Following the instructions on page 53 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, play the “Eastern Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Read chapter 7 of *Kings & Queens & Alice*. Refer to the vocabulary listed on page 53 of the workbook as needed.
3. Have the children complete the questions under What Happened? on page 53 of the workbook.
4. Introduce the children to the map on page 54 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.
5. With the children, read page 57 of the workbook.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Poland Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 55 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Czechoslovakia Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the map on page 57 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.

Slovenia, Hungary and Romania

BOOKS

Legends & Leagues North Workbook
Geography Songs CD

MATERIALS

Colored pencils

OBJECTIVE

The children will be introduced to the geography and culture of Slovenia, Hungary and Romania.

TEACHING

1. Have the children sing the “Eastern Europe” song on the *Geography Songs CD*.
2. Introduce the children to the map on page 58 of *Legends & Leagues North Workbook*.
3. With the children, read page 61 of the workbook.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Slovenia, Hungary and Romania Worksheet COMPLETED GRADED

Read page 59 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook* and complete the questions at the bottom of the page.

2. Polish Legends COMPLETED GRADED

On the bottom of page 61 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*, draw an illustration from one of the stories.

3. Eastern Europe Map COMPLETED GRADED

Complete the map on page 62 of *Legends and Leagues North Workbook*.