

Simple maps from real life Lesson Plan: Class 02 / DM / 02



Overall goal of the lesson	To learn what a map is and to see how they help us in our daily lives.
Prior knowledge	
required	

MODULE 1: Module time: 35 minutes

Goal:	Understand the concept of a map.
Description:	Draw a map of your school and surrounding areas and learn to use it.
Material	Physical:
required:	Each child can draw the map in their notebooks.
	Electronic:
	None
Procedure	1. Explain that maps are "pictures" of the real world. Explain that only important
Details:	features need to be shown, and not every detail. Explain how maps are helpful in
	going from one place to another, and finding one's way in an unknown place.
	2. Start with the example of your school. Ask children to point out the main features of
	your school like – Main gate, Principal's office, Playground, Classroom.
	3. Ask them to draw a picture of the school where each of these features are shown.
	4. On this "map", ask them to mark the route they take from Main Gate to classroom;
	from classroom to playground, etc
	5. You can discuss the different routes possible from classroom to say playground – is
	there only 1 route? If there are more, then which is the shortest? Which is the
	longest?
	6. Extend the map to include the areas surrounding the school – like Bus Stop, Main
	road, Compound wall of the school, roads around the school, etc
	7. Ask each student to show the route they take to reach school each morning – this
	can be from the bus stop, or from the point where their parents drop them in the
	vehicle etc
	8. You can open a school Atlas and show them a map of your city, and explain the map
	 maybe show them the school's location on that map, and what features are
	shown there.