

Some Champion Ideas and resource links for Geography... why not join <http://geographychampions.ning.com> and add some more of your own?

Globe tossing - Use blow up globes to stimulate thinking, have fun and find out what pupils know.

Ask – where would you rather be and why? Find a mountain range / country beginning with ... a continent / desert / somewhere you've been ... show me a place where part of your breakfast came from, your clothes might have been made – or the car your parents drive, somewhere where it's night time at the moment ... there are many questions to ask – get pupils to think of their own questions too.

Novelist Chimamanda Adichie tells the story of how she found her authentic cultural voice — and warns that if we hear only a single story about another person or country, we risk a critical misunderstanding <http://pulsemedia.org/2009/11/29/the-danger-of-a-single-story-chimamanda-adichie/> A most useful short, yet powerful film to show colleagues at a staff meeting.

Useful storybooks for teaching about climate change <http://geographychampions.ning.com/forum/topics/useful-story-books-for>

Useful storybooks for teaching about coasts and rivers <http://geographychampions.ning.com/forum/topics/useful-story-books-for-1>

Maps and Stories <http://www.geography.org.uk/projects/primaryhandbook/mapsandstories/#top>

Young geographers <http://www.geography.org.uk/projects/younggeographers/#top>

Full range of CPD 'courses' with teaching ideas and examples to adopt and adapt see www.geography.org.uk

Interesting ideas for primary geography <http://geographychampions.ning.com/>

15+ creative ideas to teach primary geography <http://geographychampions.ning.com/profiles/blogs/15-creatively-simple-ways-to>

Excellent range of multicultural resources plus guidance on teaching controversial issues <http://www.tidec.org/index.html>

Range of NASA images for enquiring about our planet e.g. see <http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/Features/WorldOfChange/biosphere.php> and <http://earth.jsc.nasa.gov/sseop/EFS/>

Other free maps re climate change include this, suitable for upper Juniors <http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/interactive/2009/oct/22/climate-change-carbon-emissions>

Free teaching resources and short films to support teaching about climate change for all key stages www.ashdenawards.org/schools

Make your own globe using images from space and demonstrate the problem of 3D into 2D <http://tinyurl.com/yc6984f>

Read the book 'Zoom' or watch the short animated film to think about scale and how we connect to places <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyla9p-pteU>