ELEMENTARY RESOURCES FOR
GLOBALIZING CURRICULUM

General:
www.unc.edu/world
World View’s web site provides program information and resources for educators.

www.ncintheworld.org/
NC in the World, LEARN NC, World View, and the Asia Society offer online lesson plans, materials, and information for teachers globalizing schools and curriculum.

www.mywonderfulworld.org
National Geographic's web site includes links to teacher resources, games, music exploration, geography quizzes, and downloadable maps.

http://asiasociety.org/education-learning
The Asia Society presents excellent general resources for global education (not limited to Asia). Resources for teachers include lesson plans, background essays, and maps. Resources for students explore themes and regions through articles and multimedia.

www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus
United Nations Cyberschoolbus includes interactive maps and lesson plans.

www.learnnc.org
This site provides NC K-12 teachers with resources for lesson plans, classroom materials, and teaching strategies.

www.ngsednet.org/hcga
Join the NC Geographic Alliance and access information, announcements, and resources for teaching geography.

www.nationalgeographic.com/xpeditions
National Geographic shares lesson plans, activities, and maps based on the national geography standards.

www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/
Check and compare the front pages of newspapers in 49 different countries.

www.readtofeed.org
These educational resources created by Heifer International explore hunger, poverty, and other global issues.

Web Images:
From quarks, to an oak tree in Florida, to the Milky Way 10 million light years away, students can examine the universe.

www.cojoweb.com/earthlights.html
This earthlights image shows the concentration of the world’s population and electricity resources.

International Connections:
http://asiasociety.org/education-learning
This site includes publications and networking for international connections.
This Teacher's Guide to International Collaboration on the Internet was prepared by the Department of Education's International Education Initiative.

Peace Corps' World Wise Schools Web Site connects classrooms to volunteers serving abroad.

Lesson Plans:

National Geographic shares classroom activities highlighting human systems, environment and society, geography, the world in spatial terms, and more.

The “You’ve Got the Whole World in Your Shopping Bag” web page illustrates the connections between common purchases and the world.

Myself and Others lessons provide interactive lessons to teach people and systems.

Leah McCoy’s collection of math activities incorporates diverse cultures.

Collaboration Tools:

Collaborative, multimedia slide show that allows students to contribute in 4 ways - using voice, text, audio file, or video.

Provider of live Web conferencing and eLearning solutions

Synchronous audio/visual conversations with other Skype users via the internet.

Watch and share original videos worldwide. Also see: www.teachertube.com

Books:


Poetry and photographs bring home the lesson that America is made up of many cultures, reflected in our looks, our music, and our traditions.


How we say hello in many different languages, paired with beautiful paintings of contemporary children from around the world.


Uses the alphabet to teach geography and cultural differences.


Games from many countries including Mexico, Kenya, Egypt, China, Russia, and India.

A story of a Chinese girl in Brooklyn in 1947 facing the challenge of gaining acceptance in a new country while keeping the traditions of her family. Online resources for teaching *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*: [www.teachervision.fen.com/multiculturalism/asian-americans/18566.html](http://www.teachervision.fen.com/multiculturalism/asian-americans/18566.html)

A Thai-American girl is teased because of her culture by classmates whose parents come from Mexico, Somalia, China, and Finland. Information about the author (the girl in the cover photo is her daughter) [www.carolynmarsden.com/](http://www.carolynmarsden.com/)

The story of an American man working to build schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

This book tells the story of an American man working to improve education in Afghanistan and Pakistan. It is told in the voice of the children of the town of Kophe.

An illustrated book version based on the well-known metaphor “If the World Were a Village,” making the world’s population and make-up more understandable.

**Other Books for Young Audiences:**
A folktale of West Africa, one of many Anansi favorites


Bliss, Corine Demas, and Kathryn Brown, illus. *The Littlest Matryoshka* Hyperion, 1999. A story of the traditional Russian nesting dolls (each named, so you have the opportunity to hear and recognize particular Russian names as part of the story)

A collection of child profiles (with photos) from around the world, great details for similarities and differences in daily life

**Books in Series:**
**Another Country Calling:** The Adventures of Simon and Barklee – ExplorerMedia. A series of adventure stories featuring two characters that travel the world; excellent accompanying activities and vocabulary enhancements. (ages 7 and up)

**Save the Planet:** Claire Llewellyn, Creative Publishers: 2006 (grade 1 and up)
Fight Pollution, Let's Recycle, Protect Natural Habitats, Save Energy, Stop Water Waste

**Environmental Disasters:** Jane Walker, Creative Publishers: 2005 (grade 4 and up)
Atmosphere in Danger, Oil Spills, The Ozone Hole, Vanishing Habitats and Species

**Let's Investigate:** Various, Creative Publishers: 2004 (grade 3 and up)
Australia, Costa Rica, India, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Russia

**Start-up Religion:** Various, Cherrytree Publishing: 2005 (grade 1 and up)
Belonging, Celebrating Harvest, Gifts at Christmas, The Jewish Faith, Visiting a Church, Visiting a Gurdwara, Visiting a Mandir, Visiting a Mosque, Visiting a Synagogue

**Letters From Around the World:** Various, Cherrytree Publishing: 2004-2005 (grade 3 and up)
Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Kenya, Mexico, Pakistan, South Africa
**One World:** Guin & Rayner, Smart Apple Media: 2006 (grade 3 and up)
Going to School, In the City, In the Country, On the Move, What We Wear, Where We Live

**Our Lives, Our World – Children around the World:** Susie Brooks, Chrysalis Education: 2006 (grade 3 and up)
Bangladesh, Denmark, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, Spain

**Beliefs and Cultures:** Various, Sea-to-Sea Publications: 2005 (grade 3 and up)
Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh

**Craft Topics:** Various, Sea-to-Sea Publications: 2005 (grade 3 and up)

**Ancient Wonders of the World:** Various, Creative Education: 2006 (grade 4 and up)
Egyptian Pyramids, Great Wall of China, Machu Picchu, Statues on Easter Island, Stonehenge, Taj Mahal

**Clues to the Past:** Various, Sea-to-Sea Publications: 2006 (grade 4 and up)
Everyday Life in Ancient Egypt, Everyday Life in Ancient Greece, Everyday Life in Roman Times, Everyday Life in Viking Times

**Country Topics:** Various, Sea-to-Sea Publications: 2006 (grade 4 and up)
France, Germany, Great Britain, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Spain

**Rich and Poor In:** Various, Smart Apple Media: 2006 (grade 4 and up)
Ancient Egypt, Ancient Greece, Ancient Rome, Mesopotamia

**Country Files:** Various, Smart Apple Media: 2003-2005 (grade 4 and up)
Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, The Caribbean, China, France, Great Britain, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan, South Africa, Spain

**Focus on Europe:** Various, Stargazer Books: 2005 (grade 4 and up)
Belgium, Luxembourg and The Netherlands, Britain and the British, France and the French, Germany and the Germans, Italy and the Italians, Spain and the Spanish

**Global Citizenship:** Various, Smart Apple Media: 2004 (grade 4 and up)
Being Active Citizens, Improving the Quality of Life, Living Sustainably, Making Global Connections, Protecting Global Environments, Respecting Cultural Differences, Understanding Human Rights, Valuing World Heritage

**Religion in Focus:** Various, Smart Apple Media: 2005 (grade 4 and up)
Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Sikhism

**Precious Earth:** Jen Green, Chrysalis Education: 2003-2004 (grade 4 and up)
Changing Climate, Energy Crisis, Feeding the People, The Polluted Planet, Rainforests at Risk, Saving Oceans and Wetlands, Waste and Recycling, Wildlife in Danger

**Around the World Series:** Betsy Franco, Evan-Moor Educational Publishers: 1993-1995 (age 6 and up)
Titles include Russia, India, China, Japan, Brazil