

Around the World



The world is made up of many different peoples and cultures. Try these activities to learn more about them.

1. Brownie Girl Scouts Around the World

Look at the chapter “People Near and Far” in the *Brownie Girl Scout Handbook*. What did you learn about Morocco, Finland, and Peru? Pick one of the activities in your handbook related to these countries and do it.

2. Look at the World

Here is a fun way to learn about the world.

1. Find the United States of America on a new map or globe. (The names of some countries change often.)
2. Look at the other countries on the map or globe. Name two countries close to the United States and two countries far away.
3. The equator is an imaginary line around the world that is an equal distance from the North Pole and the South Pole. The

countries farthest from the equator have a very cold climate. Find the equator and follow it around the world on a map or globe.

4. Name 10 countries that you think would have a hot climate.
5. Name 10 countries that you think would have a cold climate.

3. Books

Many storybooks have been written about families from different countries. Visit a library and ask the librarian to help you find a story about a family from another country. Read the story, or have someone read it to you.

4. Global Family Card Game

Make a global family card game. Collect pictures of people from different countries. Make sure your pictures show people as they really live and dress. Don't use old pictures that may be out-of-date or inaccurate.

You will need:

- Magazines and newspapers (your library may give you magazines it no longer needs).
- Glue.
- Scissors.
- Index cards or light cardboard cut into 3" x 5" shapes.

Glue a picture onto one side of your card. Write the name of the country on the back of the card. Make up some games using your global family cards.

5. Troop Recipe Book

Some foods you like to eat may come from other countries. Have you ever had noodles, tortillas, egg rolls, peanut butter, or quiche? Where did they come from? Many foods also were first eaten here. Did you know that American Indians were the first to grow corn, which they called *maize*?

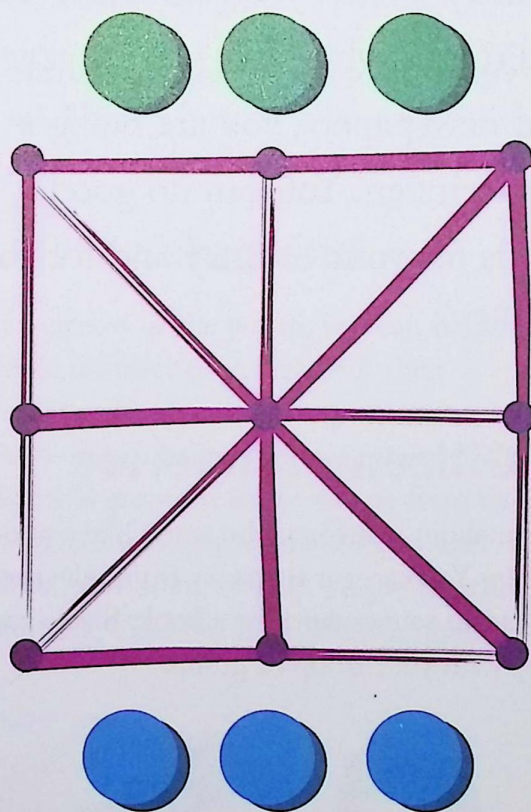
You can find out more information like this by making a "Troop Recipe Book." Bring in family recipes. Each girl can share information about her recipe. Where is it from? Who gave it to her? How do you make it? Put the recipes together in a book. Why not try them for a special lunch or supper?

6. Tapatan

In some countries, children play a game much like tic-tac-toe. In England it is called Noughts and Crosses. In Sweden it is Tripp Trapp Trull. And in the Philippines it is called Tapatan. Like tic-tac-toe, the object is always to get "three in a row."

Each player needs three moving pieces. They can be pebbles, buttons, or checkers.

1. Draw this diagram on paper or cardboard.
2. The game is played on the nine points where the lines meet. Players take turns putting their pieces on an empty point. This continues until all three pieces of each player are placed on the game board.
3. Player one moves one piece along a line to the next empty point. The pieces can be moved up or down or diagonally. Jumping over the pieces is not allowed. Player two does the same.



To win, a player must make a row of three across, up and down, or diagonally. If neither player can get three in a row, the game is called a draw.