

## Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to understand basic geography concepts and apply them to create your own Barbie and Minecraft arts and crafts.

## Materials and Prep

- Barbie dolls
- Minecraft blocks or printouts
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers or colored pencils
- World map or globe
- Internet access (optional)

No prior knowledge is required for this lesson.

## Activities

1. Create a Barbie World: Use the construction paper, scissors, and glue to create different landscapes and features for your Barbie dolls. Make sure to include mountains, rivers, and cities. Use the markers or colored pencils to add details and make it colorful.
2. Build a Minecraft Map: Use the Minecraft blocks or printouts to build your own Minecraft world. Create different biomes, such as forests, deserts, and oceans. Think about where you would place different resources like trees, animals, and water.
3. Compare and Contrast: Take a look at your Barbie World and Minecraft Map. Identify the similarities and differences between the two. What geographical features do they have in common? How are they different? Discuss with a parent or sibling.

## Second Grade Talking Points

- "Geography is the study of the Earth's physical features, climate, and how people live and interact with their environment."
- "Maps and globes help us understand and navigate the world. They show us different countries, continents, and oceans."
- "Mountains are tall landforms that rise high above the ground. They can be found all around the world."
- "Rivers are large bodies of water that flow from higher areas to lower areas. They are important for transportation, providing water, and supporting wildlife."
- "Cities are places where many people live and work together. They have buildings, roads, and often have a lot of activity."
- "In Minecraft, we can create our own worlds and build different structures using blocks. It's a fun way to explore and be creative."
- "Barbie dolls can help us imagine different scenarios and create our own little worlds. We can use arts and crafts to make the environment for our dolls."
- "Comparing and contrasting means looking at two things and finding their similarities and differences. It helps us understand things better."