## Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will be able to identify and name the seven continents.

## **Materials and Prep**

- World map or globe
- Blank paper
- Coloring materials

## Activities

1. Introduce the concept of continents by showing the student a world map or globe.

Explain that continents are large land masses that make up our planet Earth.

2. Ask the student to name any continents they already know. Write their responses on the blank paper.

Discuss each continent mentioned and provide some interesting facts about them.

3. Show the student the seven continents on the map or globe.

Ask the student to color each continent on their own map or globe.

4. Review the names of the continents with the student.

Ask the student to point out and name each continent on their colored map or globe.

## **Third Grade Talking Points**

- "Continents are large land masses that make up our planet Earth."
- "There are seven continents on Earth: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Europe, North America, Australia, and South America."
- "Africa is known for its diverse wildlife and the Sahara Desert, which is the largest hot desert in the world."
- "Antarctica is the coldest, driest, and windiest continent. It is covered in ice and is home to penguins."
- "Asia is the largest continent, known for its rich history, diverse cultures, and famous landmarks like the Great Wall of China."
- "Europe is a continent with many countries. It is known for its beautiful architecture, art, and historical sites like the Eiffel Tower in France."
- "North America is where we live. It has countries like the United States, Canada, and Mexico. It is known for its vast landscapes and the Grand Canyon."
- "Australia is the smallest continent and a country on its own. It is known for its unique wildlife, such as kangaroos and koalas."
- "South America is a continent with diverse landscapes, including the Amazon Rainforest and the Andes Mountains."