

A Walk in the Desert Google Search Assignment

Overview:

This will be a lesson for my 2nd grade class on how to use Google Search and Google Images. We will use Google Scholar to search for animals that live in various environments. We will be using Google Images to search for an image of their chosen environment to draw at the bottom of their notebook. We will be doing this along with our Reading Street story A Walk in the Desert.

Materials:

- Computer or tablet with internet access
- Notebook to write research notes

Instructions:

1. With your partner, open Internet Explorer. In the top address bar type www.scholar.google.com
2. You and your partner are going to choose a place to research. You may choose to learn about animals that live in deserts, forests, mountains, or oceans. Write your environment choice at the top of each of your pages.
3. When you and your partner get to Google Scholar, use it to research animals that live in the environment that you have chosen.
4. Write down 3 facts, in a numbered list, that you and your partner learned about animals that live in your chosen environment.
5. Make sure to include the name of the websites you and your partner used to find your facts.
6. At the bottom of the page, include a drawing of your environment. Make sure that your drawing is detailed, colored, and includes animals that you researched.

*Go to www.images.google.com to help you and your partner get a better idea of what your environment looks like.

Resources:

- Reading Street Volume 1: Week 4 A Walk in the Desert

Rubric:

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Names Partner 1: <hr/> Partner 2: <hr/>	My name and # and my partner's name and # are in the top right hand corner.	My name and # and my partner's name, but not #, are in the top right hand corner	My name and #, but not my partner's name and #, are in the top right hand corner	My name but not my #, and neither my partner's name or # are in the top right hand corner.
Environment Choice ___ deserts ___ forests ___ mountains ___ oceans	The Environment my partner and I chose is written on the top of a new page and underlined in my journal.	The Environment my partner and I chose is written on the top of a new page but not underlined in my journal.	The Environment my partner and I chose is written on a used page and is not underlined in my journal.	The Environment my partner and I chose is not written on the page in my journal.
3 Facts about Animals	I listed more than 3 Facts about animals that live in the environment we chose. I used a numbered list.	I listed 3 Facts about animals that live in the environment we chose. I used a numbered list.	I listed 2 Facts about animals that live in the environment we chose. I used a numbered list.	I only listed 1 Fact about animals that live in the environment we chose. I didn't use a numbered list.
Drawing of Environment	I have a labeled, colored, detailed drawing of the environment we chose. I included more than 3 examples of animals that live there.	I have a labeled, colored, detailed drawing of the environment we chose. I included 3 examples of animals that live there.	I have a colored drawing of the environment we chose. I included 1 or 2 examples of animals that live there. I didn't include labels or details.	I have a drawing of the environment we chose. I forgot to include examples of animals that live there and I didn't include labels or details.
Names of Websites Used	I included the names of more than 3 websites or images that I used.	I included the names of 3 websites or images that I used.	I included the names of 1 or 2 websites or images that I used	I forgot to include the names of the websites and images that I used.
Neatness, Spelling, and Punctuation	My work is very neat. There are no spelling or	My work is very neat. There are a couple spelling	My work is neat. There are quite a few spelling or	My work is not neat. There are too many

	punctuation errors. All of my sentences have capital letters and punctuation.	or punctuation errors. Most of my sentences have capital letters or punctuation.	punctuation errors. A lot of my sentences are missing capital letters or punctuation	spelling and punctuation errors. Most of my sentences are missing capital letters and punctuation.
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Standards:

W.2.8 - Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.