

GAME: WHERE IN THE WORLD DO MUSLIMS LIVE?

Teacher: You will need the following items for this game: cassette/CD player, Arabic/Middle Eastern music, and a globe (inflatable plastic or cloth preferably).

Object of the game: Show children where Muslims are living in the world today.

To play: Instruct children to sit on the floor or in their chairs either in a circle or in rows. Assign someone to operate the cassette/CD player. This person should keep his back to the children. Give the globe to a child and start the music. The children are to pass the globe from one person to the next while the music is playing. The person who is controlling the music will stop it at random. Whoever has the globe when the music stops will stand, point to a country that appears on the side of the globe facing him, and call out the name of a country. The teacher will consult the list (see below) and let the class know if that country is a predominantly Muslim country or a country with a small Muslim presence. If a country does not appear on either list, either that country has no Muslim community or there are very few Muslims in the country. Keep the game going until the globe has gone around the room at least once and the children begin to realize that Muslims live in many, many countries of the world.

52 Predominantly Muslim Countries:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan
Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei, Burkina Faso
Chad, Comoro Islands
Djibouti
Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia
Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau
Indonesia, Iran, Iraq
Jordan
Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan
Lebanon, Libya
Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco
Niger, Nigeria
Oman
Palestine, Pakistan
Qatar
Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Syria
Tajikistan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan
United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan
Western Sahara
Yemen

82 Countries with a Smaller Muslim Presence

Argentina, Australia, Austria
Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Burundi
Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, China, Colombia, Congo, Cyprus
Denmark
Fiji, Finland, France, French Guiana
Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Gibraltar, Greece, Guadeloupe and Martinique, Guyana
Hong Kong
India, Israel, Italy
Jamaica
Kenya, Korea (South)
Laos, Liberia
Macedonia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique
Nepal, Netherlands, Netherland Antilles, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway
Panama, Philippines, Portugal
Reunion, Romania, Rwanda
Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland
Taiwan, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago
Uganda, United Kingdom, United States of America
Vietnam
Yugoslavia
Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe