Exploring Different Climates

What You Need

- paper
- pencil
- envelopes
- stamps
- posterboard
- addresses for tourism offices

Find Out
Do this activity to see what other climates are like.

Process Skills
- Communicating
- Observing
- Classifying

Time
- 30 minutes to write letters
- 30 minutes to make posters
What To Do

1. Work in small groups. One group will study an arctic climate. One group will study a desert climate. One group will study a tropical rain forest climate.

2. With your teacher, pick a state or country that has the correct climate.

3. With your group, write a letter to the tourism office of the place you are studying. Ask for information about the area.

4. Have your teacher mail the letters.

5. Look at the mail you get back.

6. Put the photos in groups.

7. Write the name of your climate on the posterboard.

8. Glue the photos onto the posterboard.
Dear ________________________,

Sincerely,

______________________________
Conclusions

1. What kinds of things do people do in the climate you studied?

2. What does the land look like in the climate you studied?

New Questions

1. What do you think the weather is like today in the place you studied?

2. Write a question you still have about climates.
Activity Journal
Lesson 1 • The Desert

Name ____________________

ACTIVITY

Hot and Dry

Predict how the sand will feel.

Predict how the soil will feel.
What does the sand feel like now?

What does the soil feel like now?
Activity

Water from Plants

Predict what will happen in the bag.

Name __________________________
Draw what you see.
Activity Journal
Lesson 3 • The Arctic

Name _______________________

ACTIVITY

Freezing Earth

Predict what will happen.
Draw what you see.

Did the water change?  Yes  No
Did the soil change?   Yes  No
Did the rocks change? Yes  No