

Program Ideas for 2011 Summer Reading Theme

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Groups of participants in each of the four workshops brainstormed ideas for programs, speakers/presenters, events, and partnerships for the children's slogan, "One World, Many Stories," and the teen slogan, "You Are Here."

MERIDIAN
October 25, 2010

General:

- Nutrition/Health around the world
 - nutrition – staples, extras, vitamins
 - health – exercise, rest, play, toys, equipment
- National & International Parks
 - wildlife preserves
 - wetland
 - rainforest, etc.
- Simba Dancers
- Ballet Folklores
- Piñata
- Native American – Stories/Dance
- Food from around the world.
 - Cook it
 - Donation of canned goods
 - Building something with it
- Mexican dancing – tinkling
- Dance and music from other countries
- World traveler guest speakers
- Language classes
- Mode of transportation
- Speaker:
 - Travel Agent
 - Foreign speaker
 - Tour guide
- Geo-hunt
- Multi-cultural foods!
- Passports
- Map-making
- Multi-cultural folktales
- Prizes
 - Thunder Mountain Rail

- World Market gift card
- Portuguese dancers
- Culture Stations
- Chinese Calligraphy
- Dances from other countries
- Music/Instruments from different cultures groups
- Make flags/craft
- Costumes – how they dress
- Toys on display/games from other countries
- Moving from country to country simulation
- Creatures from around the world
- Multicultural tales from other countries/cultures
- Guest storytellers representing different cultures/countries
- “Passport” reading/activity log
- Cultural Appreciation
 - Music, dance, food
- Programs
 - Out of this world
 - Olympics
 - Going on a trip (game show)
 - Stories from grandparents
 - Guest speakers from around the world
 - Food from around the world

Children:

- Crafts
 - map-using playdough, follow the outline
 - beads in Capitals topography
- “My Heart is Like 200”: heart shapes all different sizes, to make animals from around the world
- Suitcase Scrapbook
 - travel stamps stickers
 - wish book
- Food Craft-edible
 - flat crackers, (or tortillas cut into rectangles)
 - make flags
 - fruit leathers, olive pieces, (food they’ll eat ☺)
- Clown
- Puppet/Marionette poetry
- Culture theme storytime
 - Using foreign language helper DVD
- Book/story competition
- Storyteller (folklore, legends)

- **Learn languages**
 - Through nursery rhymes and songs
- **Skits (school)**
 - tourists
- **Kid Trekkers different country each month**
 - Clothing
 - Speaker from the country
 - Books every week on a different country
 - Food
 - Music
 - Folktales
 - Craft
 - Stamp
 - Passport
 - PowerPoint of traveling to the country
- **Carnival to clean out extra stuff**

Teens

- **Geocaching around the World**
 - geography
 - topography
 - climate
- **Reality TV**
 - Fear factor with multicultural foods – World Market
 - Survivor Competition
 - Amazing Race Relay
- **Teens dress up in costumes from around the world**
- **Sewing Classes**
 - Different country sew garment each month
- **Japan & China speaker**
 - Groups of 25 only not larger
 - Boise Valley
- **Cooking Classes**
 - Different country's food each month

Adults:

- **What did you read when you were “there”**

Partners:

- **Outdoor Program**
- **Discovery Center**
- **4-H College of Idaho Extension**
- **Park & Recreation**

- State Parks
- Forest Service
- Fish & Game
- Fire Department/Police
- Find out people who've been overseas or from there
- Travel agency's consulates, embassy's cultural centers
- Basque people organization
- Cruise liners
- Catholic churches and others

POCATELLO
October 28, 2010

General:

- **Continent each week**
 - Speak Language
 - Show Souvenirs
 - People who have traveled to different countries
- **Food from other countries**
 - Foods from each country
 - Have flag associated with country
- **Make flags**
 - Color them or mark them
 - Make own flag of your "favorite" things
 - Have 3 things – sport, toy, food, games
- **Spots in library that represent country**
- **Mural**
 - From each culture
 - Artwork from theme
- **Food**
- **Dance & music**
- **Special attractions from other countries**
- **Inventors/inventions**
- **7 wonders of the world**
- **Around the world in 80 minutes**
- **Passport to Reading- Travel anywhere when reading a book**
- **Local family trips – to explore what's in the area**
- **Trips you can take in your own backyard that world travelers come to see (Yellowstone Park, Hot pools, etc.)**
- **Share where they've been & what they've seen**
- **Different continent each week**

- Art Class making masks and other art from around the world
- Hot air balloons
- Multi-culture night – including food
- Display ethnic/cultural costumes
- Display cultural books for kids to choose
- Make Passports – stamp for different countries; prizes when passport is full
- Polynesian Dance Association
- Mexican Fiesta
- Foods
- Musical instruments
- Dances/Songs 5 de Mayo or, Irish step dancing
- Animals
- Holidays (kwanza)
- Games
- Greeting from a different country each week
- Clothing/costumes
- Band tour sites
- Empanadas & Tamales
- Sailing ship decorations
- Noodle making
- Map with marks on it for books. “Map your Reading”
- Africa Night
- Cultural decorations
- Reading Passports
- India day
- Postcard Exchange
- Foreign Language night
- Country reports & lectures
- International art projects
- Food from other countries
- Sushi making
- Road trip
- Mini-language classes
- Elis Island display
- Stamps
- France Night, Germany Night, Holy Night
- China Night
- Weekly themed activities based on seven continents (bonus – space!)
- Travel to imaginary places
- Cultural food – “Taste Your World”
- Cultural Music introduction (International Folk Dance)
- Mystery photos “Where in the world?”

Children:

- Traditional crafts/stories
- Cultural theme puppet shows
- Pirate day
- Storytelling night
- Pen Pals
 - Costume parade – or – hat parade
 - Kids dress up
 - Christmas around the world
 - (even in June!)
 - Paper Doll in costume to color
 - Costumes from other countries
 - Folk tales, etc.
 - Puppet theater featuring stories from different countries
 - Artwork (masks, crests...)
 - Postcards - kids have received

Teens:

- Longitudinal log for tracking progress
- GPS challenge – find points – geocache
- Cultural movie screenings
- The Amazing Reading Race
- International Trivia

Adults:

- Cooking class

Partners:

- Travel agency
- Drama students to help in telling stories
- Locals with world travel experience
- Someone that is from or visited a different country come in and talk about it
- Story tellers telling stories from other countries
- Someone who could tell about forms of travel

COEUR D'ALENE
November 3, 2010

General:

- Songs and dance performances/different countries
- Teach “hello, goodbye, thank you, read, please, library” in different languages
- Give entire staff a list of general questions to ask to interact with students
- World Map – stickers

- Passport – stamps for time read
- Use display cases to create an exhibits for countries
- Pen pals of different libraries.
- International connections
- Incorporate world stories/music
- Play international music as background
- World Day – music, crafts, histories, and foods - with partners like SON – other cultural and ethnic groups
- International Adoptions refugees
- Foreign language
- Around the world in 80 days
- Traditional arts and crafts of different countries
- Festival for specific culture
- Restaurants
- AAA (Triple A will donate posters)
- Travel agents
- Around the world day – end party
- Poster contest
- Assembly beginning and end
- School visits
- Classroom
- Staff meetings
- Foreign visitors
- CLS – gifts
- International days with food – Chinese, Australian, etc.

Children:

- Mexico – Skippyjon Jones
- Create a character – “Library Lucy” visit different parts of the world
- Pictures of “Library Lucy” at different locations – tie into the internet
- Kids sharing what they did on vacation
- Animals of every continent
- School assembly : Time travel – different hats to indicate time travel
- Fancy Nancy Party
- Story characters ie.
 - Fancy Nancy – French
 - Madeline – French
 - Dora - Spanish

Teens:

- Book lists – Books from different cultures
 - England- Angus, Thongs and Full Frontal Snogging

- Transylvania/Romania – Vampires
- Japan – Animo
- Greek Mythology – Percy Jackson
- Roman Mythology - Riordan
- Teen recommended Books
- Games from other countries
- Teen international film festival

Adults:

- Adult international cooking

Partners:

- VISTA
- Free lunch program – Summer Nutrition
- After School Art

MOSCOW
November 4, 2010

General:

- Speakers who have traveled
- Parents visit who know another language and culture
- Music programs - music from other countries
- Dress from other cultures
- Food from countries as snacks
- Making your own books
- Multicultural skits
- Stories from different lands
- Food & Music (different cultures)
- Community members from other cultures share
- Community passport – Go all over to get stamped
- Community in outer space – create a new community/culture with all the components
- Sign Language – another culture to explore and learn about
- Native American Storytellers, dancers
- Seven Continent Programs, (foods, dress, dancers, art)
- Posters from countries
- Any story tellers
- Travel treasure hunt

Children:

- Simple games from other countries

- Toys that they have - making your own toys
- Animals from around the world
- Games from all over the world
- Animals in other parts of the world

Teens:

- GPS – Geocache

Adults:

- People who have traveled
- Foreign local presenters

Partners:

- Partner with local colleges – tie into their international students
- Schools, VISTA, 4-H3
- Foreign movies/music (Partner with movies in the park)
- Partner with Nezperce Tribe
- Partner with Nezperce Historical Park
- Partner with local colleges – tie into their international students