**The World Almanac for Kids Exercise File**

**Use these exercises for the following lessons in The World Almanac for Kids Class**

* **Getting to Know The World Almanac for Kids**

*Answer these questions as you watch the overview video linked in the class on the Infobase website.*

1. Why is The World Almanac for Kids an ideal resource for middle-grade researchers?

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1. What is the Today’s Feature?

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1. What do you find in the Explore Resources section on the homepage?

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1. What are some of the subject areas covered under Topics?

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1. What are some ways that students can engage with the information in each Topic Center?

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1. What type of Teacher Resources can be found in The World Almanac for Kids?

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1. How can students use Homework Help?

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*Complete each sentence as you read the Educator’s Guide for The World Almanac for Kids Elementary.*

**The World Almanac for Kids Educator’s Guide**

Erasing the line between \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_support and fun \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, The World Almanac® for Kids Elementary is a general reference resource that's ideal for younger students because it provides them with a wealth of elementary-level content in a kid-friendly format that is perfect for helping them develop their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ research skills in a safe online environment. Students will enjoy the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ layout, colorful and engaging interface, illustrated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, short but informative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and fun interactive resources, all of which make learning fun! This resource will help \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_students gather information for all of their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ needs using exclusive, age-appropriate content covering a variety of subject areas, all of which is written especially with the younger student in mind. Articles are relatively \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and easy to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_so they do not overwhelm the new researcher. Teachers can also use this resource to enhance their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_with grade-appropriate support materials such as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and interactive worksheets, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, classroom management forms, and diagrams.

The World Almanac® for Kids Elementary will help students:

* choose an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_online resource that includes sufficient information to report on a specific topic
* search an online resource to find relevant information about their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and then quote or paraphrase it correctly
* recognize the importance of giving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to the source of the information they find using the correct format
* use different types of media (videos, games, puzzles) to activate prior \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and to learn and retain new information
* further develop cognitive skills while navigating through the site to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ information they need

The World Almanac® for Kids Elementary features a dynamic homepage that invites students to jump right into the content in a number of fun and interactive ways, including:

* Today’s Game showcases an interactive game, puzzle, or quiz, along with a link to many more
* Interactive Did You Know? feature, with a “Learn More” link to encourage exploration after viewing the correct answer
* A Featured Topics section highlighting the newest and most popular topic centers
* Explore Resources provides instant access to specific types of resources, including videos, games, science projects, maps, flags, fun facts, and homework help

Fun, Interactive Learning Games and Worksheets

The World Almanac® for Kids Elementary includes dozens of fun, immersive learning games and interactive drag-and-drop worksheets covering a number of key subject areas such as Geography, Math, and Science. They are designed to provide age-appropriate opportunities for students to activate prior knowledge, receive additional practice, or ensure mastery of the content.