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UNIT Fourth Grade Social Studies	STUDENT OBJECTIVE	EXAMPLE/ ACTIVITIES	RESOURCE/ MATERIALS	ASSESSMENT	NJ CORE CURRICULUM STANDARD
Geography	Students will: Define the study of geography, and give examples of questions geographers ask. Explain how geographers locate places and how places change over time. Identify one kind of problem that geographers solve. Describe some tools that geographers use to study the world. Use latitude and longitude to locate places. Identify relationships between information. Analyze how one would describe Earth's features to a visitor from outer space. Identify ways that geographers gather, evaluate, and share information.	Read-Blast Off to Earth! A look at Geography. by Loreen Leedy Create a geographic dictionary. (See attached-Theme Project Organizer) Compose original lyrics describing the local environment and sing them to a well-known song. Citizenship/Art-work cooperatively in small groups to assemble a "newcomer's kit to welcome new arrivals to the class. Quiz Show (See attached activity-The Challenge) Use the following activities throughout the curriculum: (1-6) 1.Skills Workshop 2.Workbook Activities 3.Activity Sheets 4.Lesson Review Questions 5.Chapter Review Questions 6. Geography Skills Book Construct models to demonstrate how a volcanic eruption affects the land and living things. Write a pourquoi tale that explains how a landform was created. Write a news article about a volcanic eruption.	www.eduplace.com www.hmco.com/scho ol/ Activity sheets, Theme Project Organizers, Theme Project Links, and other resources. Blast Off to Earth! A Look at Geography, by Loreen Leedy Teacher's Guide (T.G.H.M.) Textbook Graphic Organizers Workbook Reference Books	Informal Assessment: Teacher observation and assessment of projects and participation. Anecdotal notes Checklists and forms Theme Project Rubric Oral presentations Performance assessment Conferences, interviews, and conversations Self Assessment Journal entries Learning logs Peer Assessment Lesson Review Questions Chapter Review Questions Have students answer focus question. Use graphic organizer. Have each student name features on a map and explain how they know what they are. Portfolio Assessment: Skills worksheets Workbook Formal Assessment: Performance Assessment Research Report Oral Presentation Open-ended questions Chapter Test	6.6.4.A.2 6.6.4.A.6