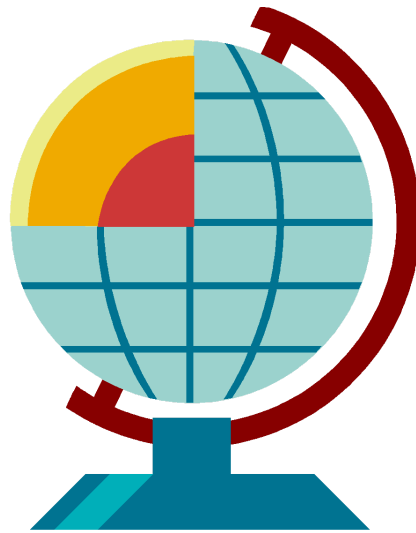


The 27<sup>th</sup>  
Dr. Feinberg Geography Challenge  
Study Book

Kindergarten

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**Parents: Please review this with your child.**

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Dear Burbank Kindergarten Students:

The Dr. Feinberg Geography Challenge for kindergarten will take place in the Burbank cafeteria on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, **from 12:45-1:15pm.**

All of the questions and answers for the Challenge are found in this book. At the Challenge your team will be asked a few of the questions from the guide. **Your final question will be a flag.** We encourage you to study the questions both alone and with your teammates. All questions will be directed to your team, not to you as an individual. **Don't forget to coordinate with your team on a theme or color to wear on the day of the Challenge.**

The purpose of the Challenge is to learn and have fun. You may find that some of the questions are easiest to learn by using a map or atlas to find locations and features. If you try to understand how locations relate to one another, you may be able to avoid simply memorizing some of the answers, and you will remember what you have learned even after the Challenge is over.

Congratulations to all of you who have decided to participate in the Challenge this year! If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee chairs.

Good luck!

Sincerely,

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## **Dr. Feinberg Geography Challenge 2024 Kindergarten Questions**

### **Belmont**

1. Q: There are four public elementary schools in Belmont. Name two.  
A: **Burbank, Butler, Wellington and Winn Brook**
2. Q: Belmont used to be filled with farms. There is only one working farm left in Belmont. It used to be called Sergi Farm. What is its new name?  
A: **Belmont Acres**
3. Q: What was the first fruit celebrated in Belmont with its own festival?  
A: **Strawberry**
4. Q: The first public outdoor swimming pool in the country was located in Belmont. What was the name of that pool?  
A: **Underwood Pool**

### **Massachusetts**

5. Q: Name the river that separates Boston and Cambridge.  
A: **The Charles River**
6. Q: What is the biggest city in Massachusetts?  
A: **Boston**
7. Q: What is a common nickname for Massachusetts?  
A: **Bay State**
8. Q: Name the ocean that serves as the eastern border of Massachusetts.  
A: **The Atlantic Ocean**
9. Q: The oldest university in the United States is located in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Name that university.  
A: **Harvard**
10. Q: Which sport was invented in Springfield, Massachusetts in 1891?  
A: **Basketball**

### **The United States**

11. Q: What is the capital of the United States?  
A: **Washington, DC**
12. Q: What city is known as “the Big Apple”?  
A: **New York**

13. Q: What is the national bird of the United States?

**A: Bald Eagle**

14. Q: What is the name of the building the President of the United States works and lives in?

**A: The White House**

### **The world**

15. Q: What type of leaf appears on the flag of Canada?

**A: Maple leaf**

16. Q: Origami is a paper craft that comes from which country – Japan, India or Finland?

**A: Japan**

17. Q: Giant tortoises roam around the Galapagos Islands which is off the coast of this country?

**A: Ecuador**

### **Geographical Terms**

18. Q: What do we call a book of maps?

**A: Atlas**

19. Q: What are the four cardinal directions?

**A: North, South, East and West**

20. Q: What do we call a piece of land completely surrounded by water?

**A: Island**

21. Q: What is a mountain that opens downward into a pool of molten rock below the surface of the earth? When pressure builds it causes an eruption of lava.

**A: Volcano**

### **Bonus Question**

Q: Who is Dr. Feinberg and why is the Geography Challenge named after her?

**A. She was a previous Principal of the Burbank school and she started the Geography Challenge 26 years ago.**

# FLAGS

Identify these flags:

United States (US):



India:



Canada:



Brazil:



Mexico:

