



# Dogs Around the World

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## Learning Objectives:

Students will understand the origins of dogs and how their geography shaped them.

## National Council for the Social Studies Standards:

3-People, Places, and Environments

(Note: This lesson may take 2 days to complete. One day for research, one to create a flip book)

## Materials:

- Computer with internet access
- Origins of the Dog Worksheet (included)
- Flip Book Template (included)

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## Lesson:

Introduction

- Explain to students that all dogs originated from wolves and that different dogs were common in different parts of the world.

Explicit Instruction and Guided Practice

- Show students the Dogs of the World Map .
- Zoom in on various regions and invite students to discuss breeds or countries they recognize.
  - Additional resource: compare 3 dog maps from different time periods
  - Breeds Around the World video
- Have students work with a small group and choose one dog from the map. (\*\*You may want to choose a few breeds ahead of time\*\*)



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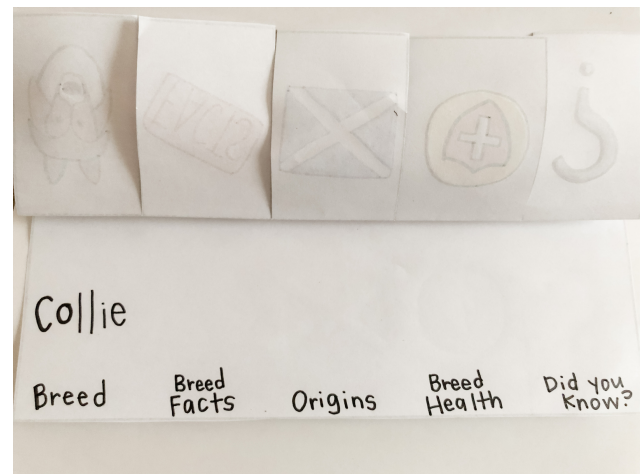
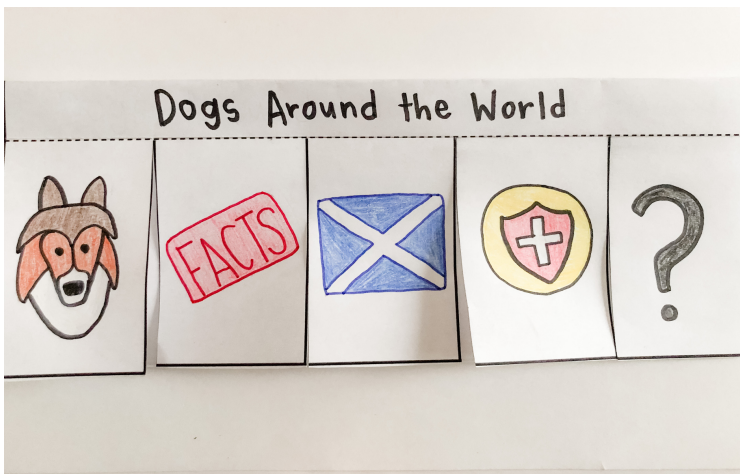
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### Group Work Time

- Students will work together to research their dog using the "Origins of the Dog" worksheet to guide their research.
- Possible resources:
  - About Dog Breeds: [Dog Breeds](#)
  - Dog History: [AKC Archives](#)
  - [AKC TV Meet the Breeds](#)
- They should also research the country/region from which their dog originated.

### Independent Work

- Each student will create a flip book to show what they have learned using the flip book template.
- Show the example below (or create your own) for students to reference.



### Review and Closing

- When students are done, they should present their findings to the class.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Origins of the Dog

Chosen Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Origin: \_\_\_\_\_

## Dog Research

3 Facts about the Dog:

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What is the typical height and weight of the dog?

- Height: \_\_\_\_\_
- Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

What is its life expectancy? \_\_\_\_\_

## Origins Research

3 Facts about the country or region from which it originates:

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Describe how the dog might have fit well in the country or region from which it originated.
