

Block Mapping









Developmental Benefits of Play:

Cognitive, Creative, Communicative, Social, Physical

Focus Skills/Subject: Social Studies (Geography), Imagination, Comprehension, Writing

Grades: Pre-K - 4

- Teach the concept of maps as being a "bird's eye view" of a town, city, state, or other set location. On a large bulletin board, have pairs of students create buildings that they would find in a town or city.
- Students can use markers to draw in highways, railroads, lakes, rivers, and streams, among other things.
 They can then create a map key to label the map.

Pro Tip: Take a picture of the finished creation from above to show students the "bird's eye view" of the map.

Materials:

- Bulletin board
- Paper
- Markers
- Blocks (wooden or foam)
- Camera

