

# **GeoBee Study Tools**

## **Sources on the web:**

Today's GeoBee Quiz - National Geographic posts ten new questions daily  
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee/quiz/today/>

Geography games to help lay a foundation for your mental maps  
<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm>

Location map games, including rivers, oceans, mountains, countries  
<http://www.ilike2learn.com/>

More location map games/quizzes  
<http://www.lizardpoint.com/fun/geoquiz/>

The CIA World Factbook - Use as a reference; information updated weekly; flags of the world and kids page  
<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>

Fact Monster – Geography Guide  
<http://www.factmonster.com/spot/99geography1.html>

Info Please – Country profiles, statistics, current events, and more  
<http://www.infoplease.com/world.html>  
<http://www.infoplease.com/us.html>

## **Books:**

*Afghanistan to Zimbabwe: Country Facts that Helped me Win the National Geographic Bee*, by Andrew Wojtanik

*National Geographic Bee Official Study Guide, Third Edition*, by Stephen Cunha

## **Other strategies:**

Use your own curiosity and an up-to-date atlas and explore!

Take the time to learn all the countries of the world and their capitals.

For those who enjoy the Scholastic reading/puzzle format "Which Way USA" and "Top Secret Adventures" are great (for all ages)!

<http://www.highlights.com/puzzle-book-clubs/which-way-usa>

<http://www.highlights.com/top-secret>

Pull out your collection of state quarters! Can you locate each state on a US map? Do you know the capital of each state? What can you learn about each state from the designs displayed on the reverse (tails) of the quarters?

[http://www.usmint.gov/mint\\_programs/50sq\\_program/?action=designs\\_50sq](http://www.usmint.gov/mint_programs/50sq_program/?action=designs_50sq)

Learn more about US national parks. You can start here:

<http://www.nps.gov/findapark/index.htm>

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_National\\_Parks\\_of\\_the\\_United\\_States](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_National_Parks_of_the_United_States)

Sunday's edition of the Anchorage Daily News Travel section is also a possible study resource... offering a travel destination write-up, popular world currency information and a Travel Trivia question (covering US and World).

Consider using blank US and world maps to label:

- major cities
- major land forms (i.e. mountains and deserts)
- major bodies of water (i.e. rivers, bays, straights, seas and oceans)

This has been suggested as a valuable tool for mastering "mental maps".