

**THE BEST EVER** of summer professional development programs! Register now for the 3-credit 2015 Summer Institute in Fargo and/or the 2-credit GeoFIT chartered bus tour beginning in Minot.

<http://www.ndgeographic.org/>

### **1. Teach the Classics?**

The Odyssey by Homer tells the story of the hero Odysseus' 10 year journey from Troy to Ithaca. He got just a little sidetracked and took quite the detour.

<http://esrip.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapTour/index.html?appid=4fc9153f4d9248b9bab7011e3950b552&webmap=962ca9da38bf4c5e9439a6acf3dd1b3e>

### **2. Geo Tours**

Remember when NDGA requested your top 5 'must see' sites in ND? Have fun learning about the amazing characteristics that make up the "landscapes and landmarks" of North America from "insiders" in those states.

<http://alliances.nationalgeographic.com/detail/geotours/ednFDB1602C981FEBCD2>

### **3. Connected Puzzles**

The 'inventor' of the Connected Puzzles will be featured at the Summer Institute in Fargo, June 2. Promoting geographic literacy!! <http://www.connectedpuzzles.com/>

### **4. Google Earth App**

Fly your students around the globe with this easy-to-install App that can be used on any platform. This is the link for the PC version, but you can download the App for your specific device from iTunes or whatever App Store you use. Google Earth is FREE and straightforward to use. Enjoy !! <http://www.google.com/earth/>

### **5. Geoliteracy grade level plans K-12 written by AZ Teacher Consultants**

An amazing collection of lesson plans for every grade level!

<http://geoalliance.asu.edu/azga/lessons/geoliteracy>

### **6. The Geo-Educator Community**

If you are passionate about helping your students understand our interconnected world, then you are a geo-educator.

[http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/geo-educator-community/?ar\\_a=1](http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/geo-educator-community/?ar_a=1)

### **7. Geography & Food**

Many fun activities for all grade levels

<http://www.themakermom.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Geography-Week-Printable-2014-from-The-Maker-Mom.pdf?aafcc2>

Culture, Food, and Ritual, Oh My! Students plan a menu for a religious ceremony in accordance with food rituals.

[http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/activity/culture-and-food-and-ritual-oh-my/?ar\\_a=1](http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/activity/culture-and-food-and-ritual-oh-my/?ar_a=1)

Food Crops in America - Students use a map that shows land use, land cover, and major crops to create a large, thematic map of the Americas and analyze the patterns they see.

[http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/activity/food-crops-americas/?ar\\_a=1](http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/activity/food-crops-americas/?ar_a=1)

Geographic Groceries - Students explore the regions of a grocery store to see which foods are grouped together and why.

<http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/activity/geographic-groceries/?ar a=1>

### **8. 23 Perspectives of Famous Places**

Many of us only know the world's most famous human and natural landmarks through images that show them in all their beautiful, historical glory. The world has changed since these structures were built, so the surrounding landscapes might not be what you'd expect.

<http://news.distractify.com/fun/fails/seeing-these-9-famous-landmarks-from-far-away-might-shatter-your-perception-of-them-forever/>

### **9. How Batteries can Start Fires**

“After living through a fire in his own house, Dave shares the lessons he learned during his experience. He shows how a simple 9-volt battery started his house fire. “

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSJH21WmALc>