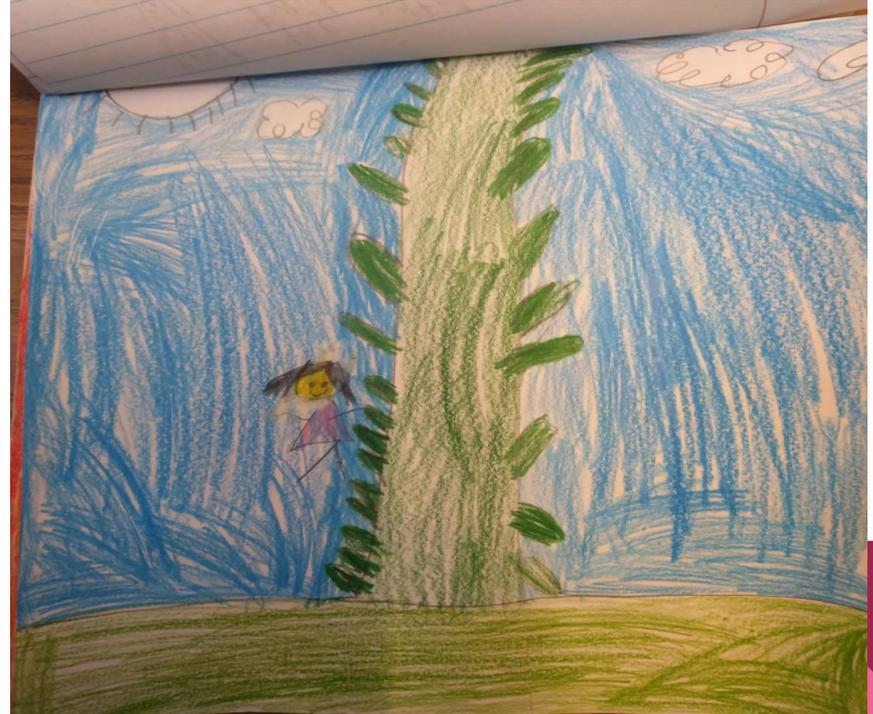
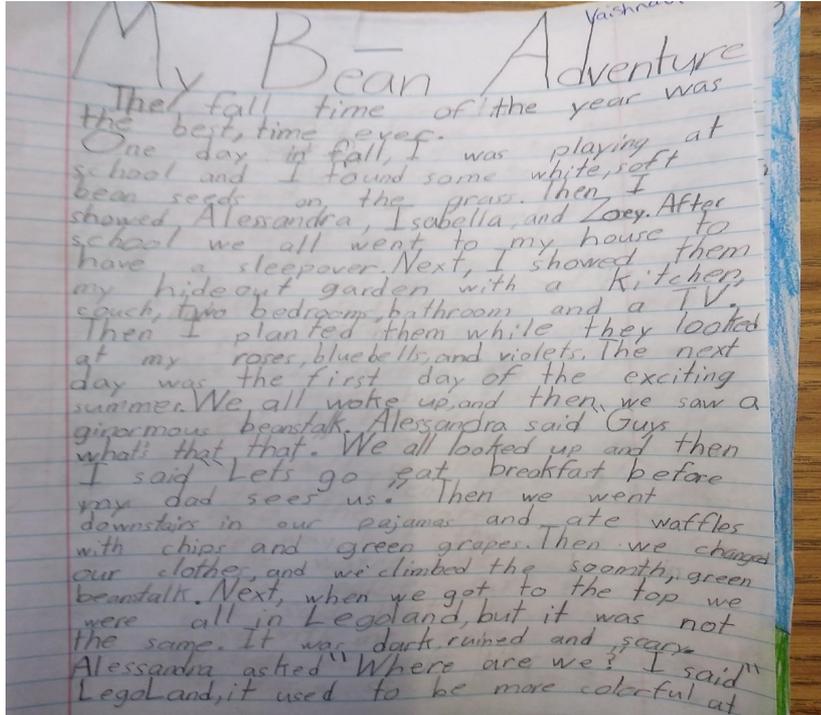




Welcome to 2nd Grade!

One of our favorite units in science is learning about the life cycle of plants. We begin with learning about seeds, then we germinate bean seeds and observe and record their growth. Next, we write creative “beanstalk” stories and plant our own winter garden.



Students have enjoyed planting and caring for our winter garden of broccoli, lettuce, and celery. The best part is harvest time when we get to enjoy the delicious taste of fresh vegetables!



Our 2nd grade scientists love investigations using the scientific method! One of our investigations is to examine our fingerprints to determine if everyone has the same fingerprints or similar patterns.

Name SAM **Fingerprint Findings**

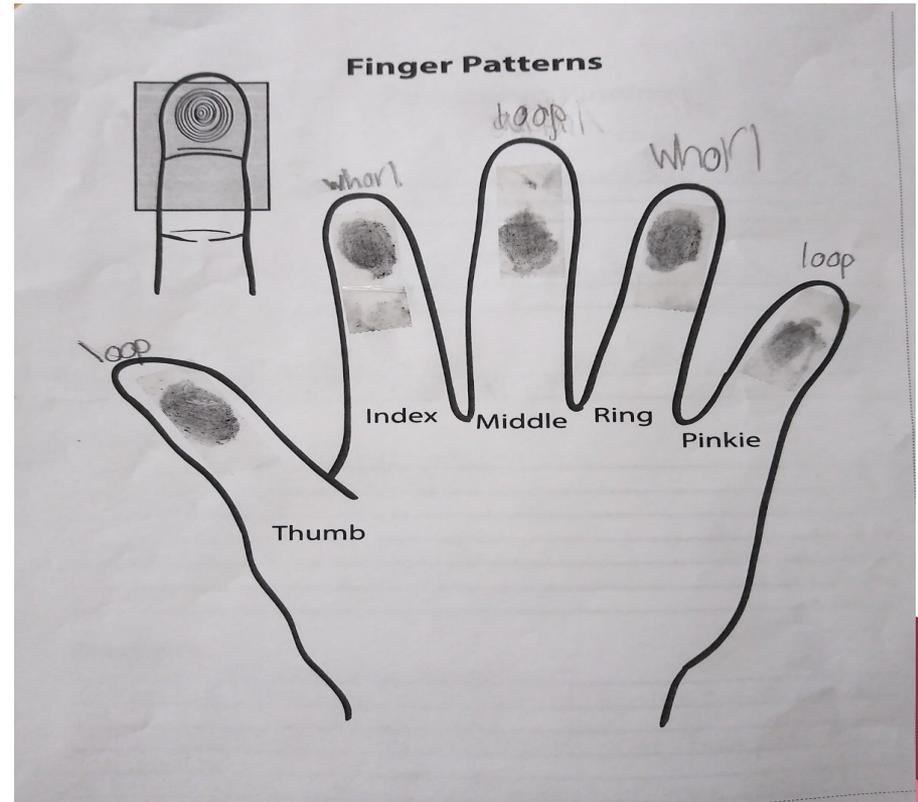
Question(s):
1. Do people have the same type of fingerprints? 2. What are the different types of fingerprint patterns?

Hypothesis:
I think that people have different fingerprints than others.

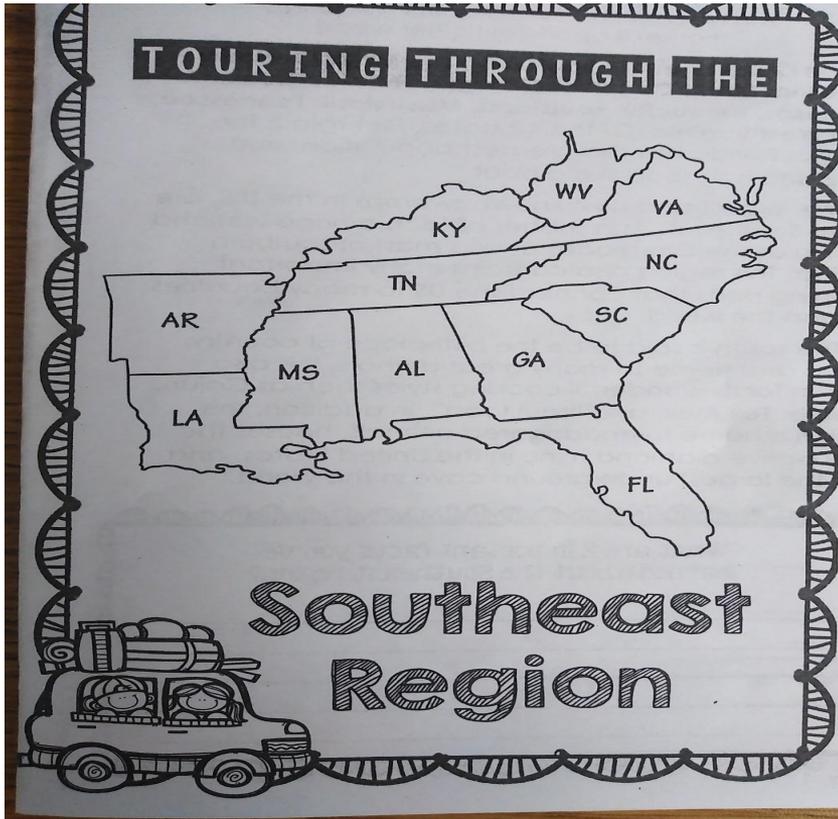
Objective:
1. To determine if people have the same fingerprints? 2. To examine the different patterns of fingerprints.

Materials:
1. handout on fingerprints
2. 5 1 inch pieces of tape
3. Magnifying glasses
4. pencil
5. scratch paper

Procedure:
1. scribble a dark square on scratch paper
2. press your thumb on the on scribbled square and then take it off
3. place sticky side of tape on thumb print, then place the handprint paper
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for the rest of your fingers
5. using a Magnifying glass examine prints and label them according



In Social studies, we learn about the regions of the United States. We also learn to locate all 50 states on the map and research each one as well.



The Southeast Region

(an area on Earth with common features that set it apart from other areas)

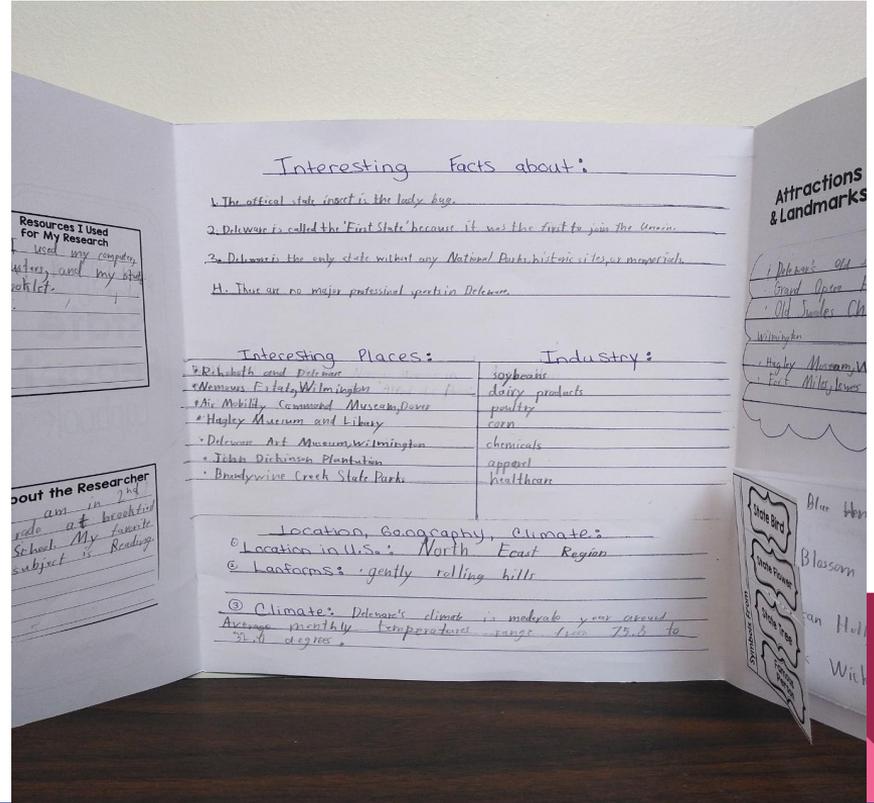
The 12 states in the Southeast are **Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and West Virginia**. Of the 12 states, Georgia is the largest, Florida has the greatest population, and Louisiana is shaped like a boot.

The largest and best known swamps in the U.S. are in the Southeast. As a matter of fact, a huge wetland known as the Everglades covers most of southern Florida. This region also contains many important shipping ports that connect the US to many countries around the world.

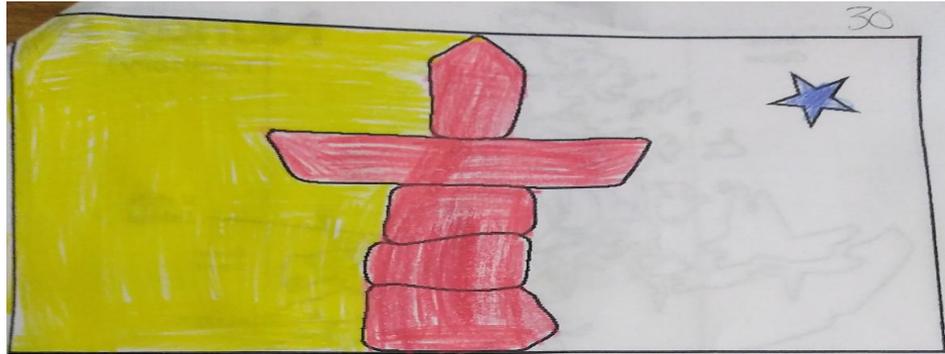
The south is said to be the birthplace of country music and home to many great authors. It is also known for its wonderful cooking styles such as Cajun, Creole, Tex-Mex, and "soul food". In addition, this region is home to endangered animals, houses the only active diamond mine in the United States, and as the largest underground cave in the world.

What are 2 important facts you've learned about the Southeast region?

State Research Reports



Our international studies includes touring through Canada and Scandinavia. Through research and lessons we learn about the geography, climate, culture, and many other interesting facts about these regions.



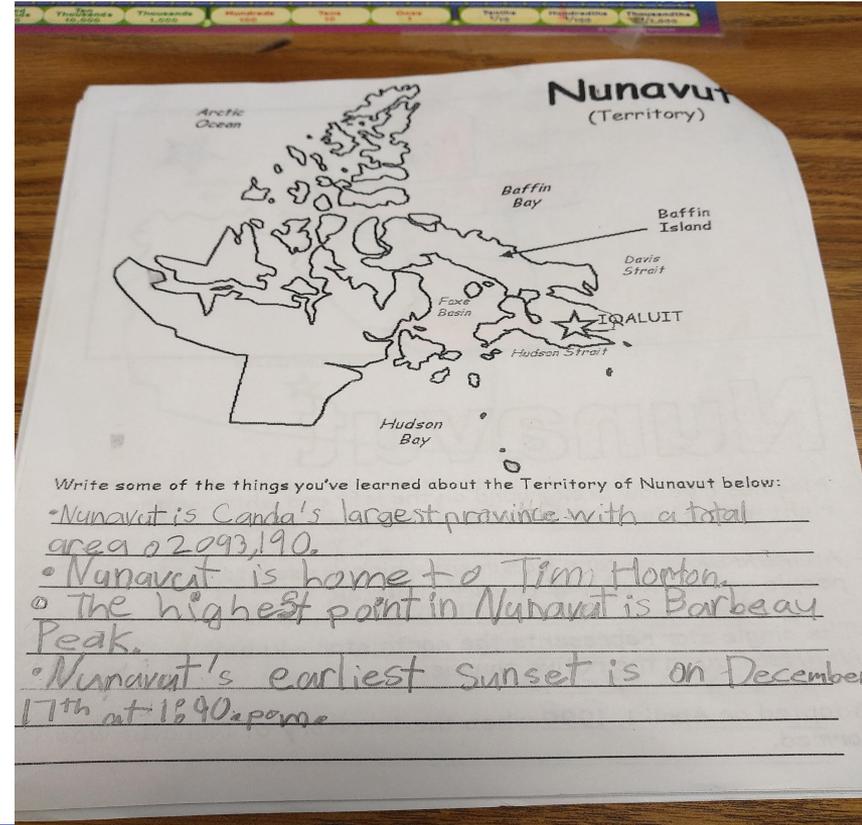
Nunavut

- Flag has a yellow background on the left and white on the right with a blue star and red *inuksuk* in the center.

- An *inuksuk* is a stone monument which is used to guide people and mark special or sacred places.

The single star represents the north star - known as *Niqirtsuituq* in the native tongue.

Adopted on April 1, 1999 when the territory of Nunavut was formed.

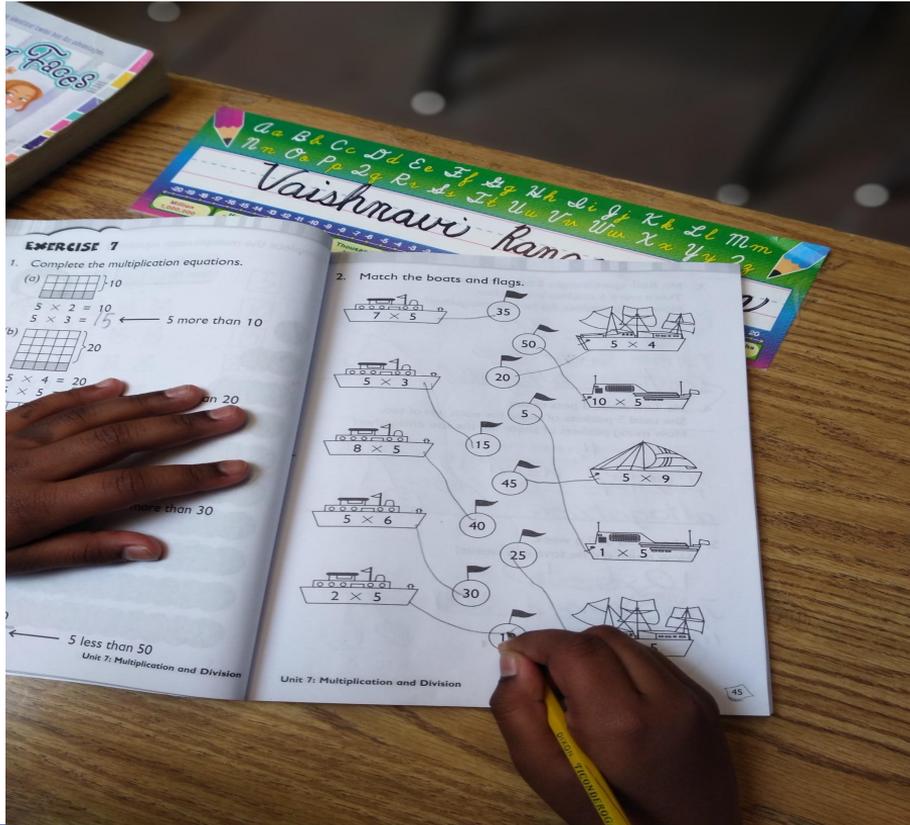


Canadian art project: watercolor paintings recreating work done by The Artist Woman. Inukshuks are stones found in many parts of Canada used by travelers to mark the way, often marking good fishing places.



Inukshuks are stone structures found in many parts of Canada, and they resemble a person. They are understood to be markers left by travellers to show the way, often marking places you can get good fish. That Artist Woman celebrates both Canada Day and the artist **Ted Harrison** in this beautiful art project.

In Math, we use a variety of strategies, songs and games to learn multiplication and division. We love our skip counting songs and fun dice and spinner games to reinforce our learning!



Our second graders learn and practice a variety of writing genre styles. Below are examples of our persuasive writing lesson and personal poetry/adjectives lesson.

— Dear Mommy,

I'm writing to tell you why you should schedule the Hawaii trip in spring. The first reason why is, I have ~~it~~ gone to Hawaii in like forever and I want to visit again. For example, I forgot what it looks like, so seeing it again would be nice. The second reason why is, I thought everyone has to be tested 3 days before the flight. Aren't we safe? I will keep my mask on and stay away from people. My next reason is, I will map in the plane if I wake up early. For example, I won't have to nap in the hotel or go to bed early so we can spend that time doing fun stuff. My last and final reason why you should let me go to Hawaii in the spring is it will stay from people and wash my hands after the flight. For example, I will stick with you so I can stay away from people. So do you think I could be safe from covid 19? I think so. So these are the reasons you should let me

Vaishnavi,
Vaishnavi,
Vaishnavi,
Vaishnavi,
Courageous Vaishnavi,
Playful Vaishnavi,
Smart, Awesome, Artistic, Vaishnavi,
Competitive, Kind, Brave, Vaishnavi.
Those are just a few.

Beautiful Vaishnavi,
Victorious Vaishnavi,
Playing, Running, Swimming Vaishnavi,
Skipping, Walking, Loving Vaishnavi,
Amazing Vaishnavi, too.

Funny Vaishnavi,
Wonderful Vaishnavi,
Don't forget Creative Vaishnavi,
Last of all - best of all
I like Fast Vaishnavi.

One of the students' favorite things about 2nd grade is learning to write in cursive! To the students, it's like learning a secret language!

h i j k l
u v w x y

Change the order of the letters to write a new word. The first one is done for you.

deal	pat	late
lead	pat	late
ate	trap	pool
ate	trap	pool
tens	dear	limes
temp	dear	limes
nap	ant	gulp
nap	ant	gulp
own	tone	
own	tone	

My writing
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App

Adjectives What a great day for a picnic! Write these phrases that describe foods you might find at a picnic. Circle your best word.

marvelous gigantic salad
marvelous gigantic salad
amazing icy lemonade
amazing icy lemonade
tasty tuna sandwiches
tasty tuna sandwiches
yummy yellow mustard
yummy yellow mustard
juicy pink melon
juicy pink melon
excellent cherry pie
excellent cherry pie

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We Love Second Grade!

