

Family Literacy Day Honorary Chair, **Barbara Reid**

invites families to use their imagination to explore and travel the world together! Barbara Reid is a picture book illustrator and author whose award-winning artwork is created using modelling clay.



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1. Go online

Research a country that interests you on the internet with your family. Find out things like the language they speak, their currency, and popular food, music and sports.

2. Flags of the world

Look up colourful flags from different countries and try drawing them together.

3. Cigo!

Teach your family how to say hello and goodbye in different languages.

4. Greetings from abroad

Imagine you're on a vacation and write a postcard to a friend or family member. Describe the weather, what it's like and what activities you're doing.

5. Map the world

Look at a blank world map and try to name each continent and ocean. For more of a challenge, try identifying countries or even cities.

6. Family vacation

Research your next family vacation online together, even if you don't have one planned. Look up how much it will cost to travel there, hotels and activities, and put together a budget for your trip.

7. Get cookin'!

Find a recipe for a popular international dish, such as butter chicken or paella. Follow the recipe together as a family and enjoy the meal you've cooked.

8. Family history

Research your family's history and culture. Learn about your family traditions (how about starting a new one!)

9. Sounds of the world

Go to YouTube as a family and play some popular songs from other countries. Dance and move to different tunes and hum along, trying to guess what the lyrics mean.

10. A to Z

Test your family's geographic knowledge by trying to name a country for every letter of the alphabet. Hint: there is one for every letter except X.







