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Passport to the World Dominican Republic

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Activities



Geography



The Dominican Republic (Spanish: República Dominicana) is a country on the Caribbean island of Hispaniola. Its capital, and largest city, is Santo Domingo. The national language is Spanish.

The country was occupied by the United States from 1916 to 1924. The Dominican Republic is a presidential democratic republic. The country has a tropical climate but modified by elevation and the trade winds (winds that come from the northeast, from the Atlantic Ocean).

To learn more about the Dominican Republic follow the link below

https://kids.kiddle.co/Dominican_Republic

Craft - Cardboard Pirate Ship

Back in the year 1586, the famous and well known English pirate Sir Francis Drake arrived at La Hispaniola (nowadays the Dominican Republic). The island was under Spanish domain after being discovered by Christopher Columbus, so he wanted to do what pirates do: get treasures!

To learn more about Sir Francis Drake follow the link below

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Francis-Drake/353065>

Materials:

- Cardboard
- Glue Gun
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Black Marker
- Craft or Exacto Knife
- Twine
- Sticks
- Fabric (for the sail)

Follow the link below for step by step tutorial

<http://mollymooecrafts.com/diy-cardboard-pirate-ship/>

Post a photo of your finished product in our comments!



Virtual Exploration - Humpback Whales of the Dominican Republic

For eons Humpback Whales have made their way to the Silver Bank of the Dominican Republic for mating and calving.

Follow the link below and get ready to explore
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h5qGEVndxoE>



PIRATE



DENSITY



Science Activity - Pirate Density Jar?

Density is quite a hard concept to grasp but this is a really nice introduction and full of little wow moments.

Follow the link for this fun experiment
<https://www.science-sparks.com/density-experiment-pirate-themed/>

Daily Challenge - Humpback Whales

What mammal migrates to the Dominican Republic on a yearly basis? The humpback whale!

The northeastern coast of the Dominican Republic (the Bay of Samaná) welcomes between 2,000 and 3,000 giant humpback whales. They migrate from the north Atlantic to the warm Dominican waters for calving and breeding then return to their summer feeding grounds.

Follow the link to create your own Humpback Whale
<http://learncreatelove.com/printable-humpback-whale-craft/>



Let's Stay Active - Merengue

The two most popular forms of music and dance in the Dominican Republic are merengue and bachata.

Both genres originated in the Dominican Republic; merengue is very festive and is moderate to fast-paced while bachata is more sensual and slower-paced.

Get moving with this fun Zumba Kids routine
https://youtu.be/nL6DXy_jrko

Traditional Merengue Dance Performance
<https://youtu.be/TqtVj4kHYg0>