

EXPLORE FURTHER

EXTENDED LEARNING *with* THE SEELBACH FAMILY

1. Talk to your children about the various types of mountains and how they are formed.

Research mountains on the internet, comparing the height of the mountains nearest to your home. Use modeling clay or Play-Doh to build your own colorful mountain range and give it a name. Children can use markers or paint to color the mountains as well as embellish them with objects such as sequins and marbles, or add other natural features such as water and trees to your geographical creation.

2. Using library books or research from the internet, learn with your children about the Seven Wonders of the World. What do they consider to be the Seven Wonders of their bedroom, house or community? Have your children take photos or draw pictures of these items or places, noting what makes these objects or spaces wonderful. Compile the pictures or photos to make a family book of wonders.

3. Explore Wonder of the Day® #1047: “How are Mountains Made?” with your family at wonderopolis.org.

EXTENDED LEARNING *with* THE GARCIA FAMILY

1. Take a family hike to explore your community and identify your own animal neighbors!

Using recycled materials, create animal sculptures representing those that live in your region. As you work together to build your animals, talk about concepts such as shape, form and texture. Discuss animal habitats and how humans can protect animals' environments.

2. Locate a nearby state or national park. After a family visit, help your children create their own maps and brochures for the areas they visited. Write about and illustrate the sights and landmarks they explored as a way to share with family and friends.

3. Explore Wonder of the Day® #326: “Does Every State Have a National Park?” with your family at wonderopolis.org.

