

## Introduction to the World: Cultures

### Week 16

Have you planned in a mid-year break? If you are following a traditional school year schedule, it may be about time for the Christmas holidays. Many homeschool families find that it works well to do a lighter version of school throughout the month of December, and some take the entire month off to focus on family activities and ministry opportunities.

Keep a basket or plastic tub by the couch, or wherever you do most of your schoolwork, with your Instructor's Guide and the books you are currently reading. If your children like to color or practice their handwriting while you read to them, you might also keep supplies for those activities in your basket. Now when it's time to do school you don't have to gather up your materials!



### Teaching Moments and Hands-On Activities

For printable activities and coloring sheets to go along with this week's stories in *Egermeier's Bible Story Book* see Lessons 83-90 at <http://children.calvarychapel.com/site/curriculum.htm>.

Dog activities to go along with *Five True Dog Stories* are available at [www.enchantedlearning.com/themes/dog.shtml](http://www.enchantedlearning.com/themes/dog.shtml).

Browse the official site of the Iditarod at [www.iditarod.com](http://www.iditarod.com) to go along with the chapter about Balto in *Five True Dog Stories*.

See last week's Tip Sheet if you missed the websites with dolphin activity ideas to go along with *Dolphin Treasure*.

If you don't mind allowing your children to "play with" their food, serve everyone a bowl of applesauce before you read the "Applesauce" poem in *The Llama Who Had No Pajama*. Allow them to follow the "directions" in the poem as you read.

*The Real Mother Goose* online activities:

"The Cat and the Fiddle" rebus rhyme - [www.enchantedlearning.com/Catandfiddle.html](http://www.enchantedlearning.com/Catandfiddle.html)

"The Cat and the Fiddle" crafts - [www.dltk-teach.com/rhymes/heydiddle/index.htm](http://www.dltk-teach.com/rhymes/heydiddle/index.htm)

"The Cat and the Fiddle" online game - [www.mothergoose.com/Games/jump\\_cow.htm](http://www.mothergoose.com/Games/jump_cow.htm)

"Little Pussy" coloring page - [www.niteowl.org/kids/kitty.html](http://www.niteowl.org/kids/kitty.html)

"Sing a Song of Sixpence" rebus rhyme - [www.enchantedlearning.com/Blackbirdrhyme.html](http://www.enchantedlearning.com/Blackbirdrhyme.html)

"Sing a Song of Sixpence" coloring pages - [www.niteowl.org/kids/6pence.html](http://www.niteowl.org/kids/6pence.html)