

Land and Water Words

Teacher-led listening and marking practice with Earth surface features.

SS1G3 "Locate major topographical features of the earth's surface."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE IT _____

a	river	mountain	valley
b	lake	ocean	river
c	lake	ocean	plain

2 MATCH WORDS _____

mountain	•	•	still
river	•	•	high
lake	•	•	flowing

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Required: a visible physical map of North America showing the Rocky Mountains, Mississippi River and Lake Superior, plus a world map or globe. Model map colors and locating one different place. Name each of those three features; have each child find and point to it, with label-reading help as needed. Then ask the child to locate North America and the Atlantic Ocean on the world map. Record each location and help given. Use the word practice below afterward; explain that an island is land surrounded by water. Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CIRCLE IT

SAY “First, point to the named land and water places on our maps. Then listen to these feature clues and circle the matching words.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	The choices are river, mountain, and valley. What word names very high land that rises above the land around it?	mountain
b	The choices are lake, ocean, and river. What word names water that flows across land?	river
c	The choices are lake, ocean, and plain. What word names water with land all around it?	lake

PART 2 • MATCH WORDS

SAY “Look at the feature words on the left and the clue words on the right. Draw a line from each feature word to the clue word that fits it.”

- **mountain** matches **high**
- **river** matches **flowing**
- **lake** matches **still**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle mountain in row 1, river in row 2, and lake in row 3. Match mountain to high, river to flowing, and lake to still. Check actual map pointing: Rockies in western North America; Mississippi through central United States; Superior in Great Lakes along U.S.-Canada border; North America and Atlantic between Americas and Europe/Africa. Record support. These are selected geographic targets, not a claim of covering every SS1G3 subskill.