Geography of Idaho Trees

Subject(s): Geography

Grade Level: K-1st

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Time Required: 1 hour

Lesson Objectives:
The students will be able to identify and name trees common in the state of Idaho and place them where they are most commonly found on a map of Idaho.

Materials Needed:
Wall sized map of Idaho, pictures of trees found in Idaho, drawing paper

Procedure:
We will discuss how the state of Idaho has specific trees and how these trees live in different parts of the state. We will look at pictures of the trees and identify on the map where the trees live. The students will work in groups to draw a tree. All students will need to draw at least five trees. With my assistance, the students will place their trees on the map.

Discussion:
1. Why do certain trees live in the northern part of the state?
2. Why do certain trees live in the southern part of the state?
3. Why are there more trees in some parts of the state than others?