Using Google My Maps for At-Home Learning

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Hello!

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1. **Google My Maps**
   Tool for plotting geography data, but this is not a tool just limited to geography!
My My Maps: Regions of South Carolina
My Maps: The Spanish-American War

Rough Riders and San Juan Hill

The Rough Riders was a nickname given to the 1st United States Volunteer Cavalry, one of three such regiments raised in 1898 for the Spanish–American War and the only one to see action. The United States Army was small and understaffed in comparison to its status during the American Civil War roughly thirty years prior.
My MyMaps: Schools in My District
② A tool for many subjects!
Think about how you could use this tool for multiple subject areas. What are you thinking?
A tool for multiple disciplines...

- **Science:** Have your child plot habitats, the migration of animals, the spread of disease, etc.
- **ELA:** Have your child plot the setting of a story, where characters travel - take them on a “lit trip!”
- **Math:** Have students plan a road trip and consider the distance from place to place, the cost to travel to destinations, etc.
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- **Arts:** Have your child plan a trip to Broadway! You can link videos and images of the different shows you’re going to “see.” Listen to the soundtracks as a family (preview first!)
- **World Language:** Ask how people greet one another in different languages. Plot the greetings on a MyMap and include cultural images, videos, etc.
And, of COURSE, for **social studies**!

- Mapping home and school (K)
- Mapping goods and services in my community (1st)
- Mapping routes to historical landmarks (battlefields, historical markers, etc.); also events (the sidebar becomes a timeline!) (History - any)
- Outlining territories, shifts in territories, etc.
- Track population growth and spread (Human Geo)
- Projects - you can share just like a google doc! (all)
Lots of options!

“Take a Road Trip with Google MyMaps”

“20 Ways Google MyMaps can Enhance Lessons…”
Okay - Let’s go!
Mymaps.google.com
Think about the impact you’re going to make going DIGITAL instead of ANALOG (paper maps!)

The opportunities are endless!
THIS IS THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG, FOLKS!
Thanks!

Any questions?

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Additional ideas from participants:
- Citizen Scientists pin the locations of animals.
- Interdisciplinary unit around veterans - ask students to pin where the veterans served, fought, etc.
- Plot Great Migration pathways from SC to elsewhere.
- ELA could plot the progression of a story/ lit trip
- Math - plotting distances as part of a PBL
- Pin where fault lines are, where earthquakes happen, etc.
- Map migration patterns of certain birds, animals, etc.
- Students can plot where fires have occurred and propose the location of a new fire station.
- Map hurricanes that have made landfall using historical data
- Great tool to launch an inquiry!

Best of luck to everyone out there! Let me know how I can support you! AR