**Research Links:**

**Task 1:**

* World Atlas

<http://www.worldatlas.com/>

* [Latitude & Longitude Finder](http://www.worldatlas.com/aatlas/latitude_and_longitude_finder.htm#.UZZCa6LVDh5)

<http://www.latlong.net/>

* [Flight Distances](http://www.worldatlas.com/travelaids/flight_distance.htm)

<http://www.worldatlas.com/travelaids/flight_distance.htm>

**Task 2:**

* Britannica Young Adult
* (Go to Ahern Databases, Enclyclopedias)

<http://library.eb.com/levels/youngadults>

* [CIA World Factbook](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/)

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**Task 3:**

* [Lonely Planet](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/)

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com/>

# Project Task List

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| **Task 1** | * Choose your locations – 3 in Western Europe, 3 in Eastern Europe * Divide up the work in your group * Find Coordinates (absolute location) * Write relative location statements * Find flight distances |
| **Task 2** | * Research Race Locations   + 1st location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities   + 2nd location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities   + 3rd location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities   + 4th location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities   + 5th location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities   + 6th location’s climate, physical geography & economic activities |
| **Task 3** | Create a Cultural Task for Locations 2-6   * Location 2 - Task and cultural connection explanation * Location 3 - Task and cultural connection explanation * Location 4 - Task and cultural connection explanation * Location 5 - Task and cultural connection explanation * Location 6 - Task and cultural connection explanation |
| **Task 4** | * Read the rubric for product requirements * Assign tasks to each group member * Create your product |
| **Task 5** | * Make final edits to product * Share product with peer for editing and comments * Present your project to class |

# European Amazing Race Itinerary

**Instructions**: You will choose a starting location in Europe and then locations for 5 legs of the Amazing Race. You need to have 3 locations in Western Europe and 3 in Eastern Europe. Your race will end at the 6th stop.

* **Location** Columns: Write your location choices for the race. Include city/country/E or W Europe.
* **Coordinates** Column: Find the absolute location (latitude/longitude).
* **Relative Location** Column: Write a relative location statement for that place. Include what is to the N, S, E and W of the country.
* **Distance** column: calculate the distance from one stop to the next using a map scale.

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| **Stop #** | **City** | **Country** | **Continent**  **(E or W Europe)** | **Coordinates**  **(absolute location)** | **Relative Location About This Country**  **(make a statement)** | **Distance From Previous Location** |
| **Example:** | **Aberdeen** | **Scotland** | **Western Europe** | **58\* N**  **3\* W** | **Aberdeen, Scotland is located in the northern region of the United Kingdom, off the northwest coast of continental Europe. Scotland is bordered by England to the south, the North Sea to the east, the Atlantic Ocean to the north and the Sea of the Hebrides to the west.** | **X** |
| **START**  **1** |  |  |  |  |  | **X** |
| **2** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Stop #** | **City** | **Country** | **Continent**  **(E or W Europe)** | **Coordinates**  **(absolute location)** | **Relative Location**  **(make a statement)** | **Distance from previous location** |
| **3** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **FINISH:**  **6** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# European Amazing Race Locations Profile

Fill out a profile for the 6 locations you chose for the race.

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| **Location** | **CLIMATE** | **PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY** | **ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES** |
| **Example:**  **Aberdeen, Scotland** | Scotland has a temperate climate. The average temperature in January is about 40° F, in July it is about 58° F. Precipitation varies across Scotland. The mountainous west coast has the most rain – about 140 inches per year. | The Highlands in the north are rocky and barren, the lowlands are farm lands surrounded with many valleys and lochs (lakes). There are many islands off the coasts. | - Livestock – raising cows and sheep  - Agriculture – wheat, oats, barley, potatoes, vegetables, and fruits  - Fishing |
| **START**  **1** |  |  |  |
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| **Location** | **CLIMATE** | **PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY** | **ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES** |
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| **Location** | **CLIMATE** | **PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY** | **ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES** |
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| **FINISH**  **6** |  |  |  |

# Amazing Race Cultural Tasks

In the Amazing Race, teams must complete a task at each location. The tasks always incorporate something about the local culture. Create a culturally connected task for teams to complete at each location.

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|  | **Explanation of Task –**  **What will the team have to do at this location?** | **Explanation of Cultural Connection –**  **How does this task show a part of the country’s culture?** |
| **Example:** | **Each team member must take a picture kissing a hairy coo.**  **Other example ideas to connect to a cultural task:**   * **Swim in the Loch Ness and search for the Loch Ness Monster** * **Compete in Highland Games activities in kilts** * **Eat Haggis (blood sausage) and a fried Mars Bars**   **Tasks can be connected to special places, people, animals or ideas from this country, cultural customs or traditions, traditional food, clothing, products or work** | **The Highland Cow, also known as the “hairy coo”, is a Scottish breed of cattle and is recognizable by its long horns and long coat. The Scottish Highlands are rugged and this is a hardy breed. Their long horns help them look for food in the snow and their long hair keeps them warm in the cold winters.** |
| **START**  **1** | **NO TASKS - STARTING LOCATION** |  |
|  | **Explanation of Task –**  **What will the team have to do at this location?** | **Explanation of Cultural Connection –**  **How does this task show a part of the country’s culture?** |
| **2** |  |  |
| **3** |  |  |
|  | **Explanation of Task –**  **What will the team have to do at this location?** | **Explanation of Cultural Connection –**  **How does this task show a part of the country’s culture?** |
| **4** |  |  |
| **5** |  |  |
| **6** |  |  |

# Amazing Race Product Menu

***If you aren’t familiar with a website or program, DO NOT USE IT!***

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| **Brochure**  Create a tri-fold brochure with all elements listed in the rubric: map showing all locations, picture & description for all locations & spotlight all tasks with pictures. Can be on paper or electronic. | **Illustrated Map & Collage**  Using a large size map, create pictures, drawings, or cut out pictures & descriptions of all locations. Also, spotlight all of your tasks on this map, along with the locations of all 6 locations. | **Poster**  Display on your poster all the elements listed in the rubric: map showing all locations, picture & description for all locations & spotlight all tasks with pictures. (You must provide your own poster) |
| **OfficeMix Video**  Using [OfficeMix](https://www.renderforest.com), create narrated slide show with all elements listed in the rubric: map showing all locations, picture & description for all locations & spotlight all tasks with pictures. You can add video of yourself talking if you like and/or music from different countries. | [**PowToon**](http://www.powtoon.com/)  Create a cartoon showing all elements listed in the rubric: map showing all locations, picture & description for all locations & spotlight all tasks with pictures. | [**Prezi**](http://prezi.com/) **or Powerpoint**  Create a prezi with all elements listed in the rubric: map showing all locations, picture & description for all locations & spotlight all tasks with pictures. |

# European Amazing Race Rubric

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| **Category** | **Required Elements** | **Points Given** |
| **Task 1:**  **Locations**  24 pts | * A starting point in Europe PLUS 5 locations— 3 from Eastern Europe and 3 from Western Europe (6 points) * Absolute Location for all 6 locations (6 points) * Relative Location Statement for all 6 locations (6 points) * Distance from previous location (6 points) |  |
| **Task 2:**  **Characteristics**  18 pts | * Climate summary for all 6 locations (6pts) * Physical geography summary for all 6 locations (6pts) * Economy summary for all 6 locations (6pts) |  |
| **Task 3:**  **Tasks**  25 pts | * Find a cultural task to complete in each of the 5 locations (5 pts for each location) |  |
| **Task 4:**  **Product**  33 pts | * Completed product—see menu for options: * Title and names on the project (1 point) * Map showing all location & draw line connecting all locations, can be on paper or electronic (6 points) * Spotlight **all tasks** (show visual, explain how the task shows the country’s culture) (10 points) * Picture or drawing for each location (6 points) * 3-5 sentence description of what each place is like (10 points) (This should be written using the research you did about climate, geography and economy.) |  |
| **TOTAL (100 points possible)** | |  |