

Children's Literature Selections

Five Themes of Geography

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This book is excellent to use when introducing the Five Themes of Geography to your students. It is used in the lesson plan titled, *Teaching the Five Themes of Geography through Picture Books*, that can be found on our website for grades K-2. This lesson plan is easily adaptable for use with upper elementary, middle and high school students.

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- Wilkes, Angela and Fiona Watt. *The Usborne Internet-Linked Children's World Cookbook*. New York: Scholastic, Inc., 2000.
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