

**World Geography** is a curriculum-driven instructional tool from ABC-CLIO Schools citing an abundance of authoritative and comprehensive content which, along with customizing capabilities, makes it valuable for all world geography needs. It guides users in connecting the most-talked-about issues of our day with the foundations of world geography.

To access **World Geography**:

Go to: RCPL (<http://www.myrpl.com>)

Click on: **Research Tools**

Click: **Geography and Weather (or use the A-Z list of databases)**

Scroll to: **World Geography**

Click: **Inside the Library** or **Home Access**

Computer commands, field names and mouse actions are in *Italics*.

Text that you must type is within single quote marks ( ' ' ).

### 1. Where is the Kamchatka Peninsula?

- At the home page, click *Dictionary* (left of screen, under *Tools*).
- Type 'kamchatka' (not 'kamchatka peninsula') in the *Enter a Word or Phrase* box
- Click *Search*.
- A very basic definition giving location will be displayed.
- To return to **World Geography** close the *Dictionary* page.

### 2. I'd like to read some articles about Japan's monarchy.

- Click *Subject Search* (left of the screen).
- Select 'monarchy' from the *Subject* drop down menu.
- Select 'Japan' from the *By Country* menu
- Leave the *By Category* setting at default (*All Categories*).
- Click *Search*. The number of pertinent items under each category (*Biographies, News, etc.*) will be listed as hyperlinks.

### 3. What nations comprise Oceania?

- Click *World Map Search*.
- Move the mouse to the word *Oceania* (right side of the map) and click.
- The names of all nations comprising Oceania will appear on the map and can be clicked individually.
- Whenever a specific nation has been displayed, there will be clickable tabs across the top of the screen for additional information (*Overview, History, Government, Culture, Environment, Facts and Figures, News, Biographies, Organizations, Documents and Images*).

### 4. I hear a lot these days about GIS. What is it?

- Type 'gis' in the *Site Search* box and click *Go*.
- A screen of search results in which GIS appears will be grouped by category (*Biographies, Images, News, etc.*) The category *Topic Explorations* will have the most pertinent information about GIS.

**5. How do I access other ABC-CLIO databases from *World Geography*?**

- ❑ At the top of each page (whether categorized as *Home*, *Research*, *Lessons*, *Tools* or *Help*) is a *Switch Web Sites* drop down menu which allows a user to select **American Government**, **State Geography** or **World Geography** as the database to be searched.