

## Parents Instructions - Land and Water Forms - Printable

**Materials:** Trays containing models of the following land and water forms:

island            lake  
peninsula        gulf  
isthmus            strait  
archipelago      system of lakes

Underlay or waterproof surface

Pitcher with water

Drying cloth

Bucket

**Purposes:** Visual Motor Coordination  
Clarification of impressions through a familiar action  
Preparation for further Geography studies

### Steps:

1. Ask the child to bring the underlay to the table; and turn the chair out to the side.
2. Bring the underlay for the floor and the bucket with the drying towel. Place the drying towel on the back of the chair.
3. Bring the trays containing models of land and water forms (island and lake), and pitcher.
4. Bring the pitcher and ask the child to fill it with water.
5. Pour water inside the lake and outside the island.
6. Invite him to take a look at them.
7. Empty the water into the bucket.
8. Invite the child to pour water into both.
9. Give him the language:
  - a. This is an island, the island is a land surrounded by water (have your fingers in the land when you mention island, and fingers in water when you mention it).
  - b. This is a lake, the lake is a water surrounded by land (have your fingers in the water when you mention the lake, and on the land when you mention it).
10. Invite the child to feel them.
11. Transfer the wok to the child, and mention to him that he may continue exploring as much as he wants.
12. Fade and observe.
13. When the child is done you may remind where the water goes. Show how to dry inside the trays (wrap the towel on your hand or roll it, and dry inside the molds).
14. Tell him that he can explore with the other forms.
15. The child puts back the materials.

**Language:** All of the names of water and land forms

**Notes:**

- When you see the child with a different pair, stop by and offer the language in a spontaneous conversation. As an option you can paint with blue for water and green for land.
- You can make your own land forms.
- You can add blue coloring to the water or into the pitcher.
- These water and land forms are generic: they reflect the nature of a lake or an island, or the other forms as an example for exploring on the maps and globe.