## **CULTURE CONNECTION**

## HOMEWORK HELP



You're a student, but you're also a citizen of the world. Writing a report on a foreign nation or your own country is a great way to better understand and appreciate how people in other parts of the world live. Pick the country of your ancestors, one that's been in the news, or one that you'd like to visit someday.

## **Passport to Success**

A country report follows the format of an expository essay because you're "exposing" information about the country you choose.



INDIAN FLAG

**5-RUPEE COIN** 

## **Simple Steps**

- **1. RESEARCH** Gathering information is the most important step in writing a good country report. Look to Internet sources, encyclopedias, books, magazine and newspaper articles, and other sources to find important and interesting details about your subject.
- **2. ORGANIZE YOUR NOTES** Put the information you gathered into a rough outline. For example, sort everything you found about the country's system of government, climate, etc.

**3. WRITE IT UP** Follow the basic structure of good writing: introduction, body, and conclusion. Remember that each paragraph should have a topic sentence that is then supported by facts and details. Incorporate the information from your notes, but make sure it's in your own words. And make your writing flow with good transitions and descriptive language.

- **4. ADD VISUALS** Include maps, diagrams, photos, and other visual aids.
- 5. PROOFREAD AND REVISE Correct any mistakes, and polish your language. Do your best!

**6. CITE YOUR SOURCES** Be sure to keep a record of your sources.