

Google Earth in the Classroom

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The Google Earth 5.0 Interface

The diagram illustrates the Google Earth 5.0 interface with the following components and their functions:

- Search Window and results:** Located at the top left, it includes a search bar and a list of search results.
- Places:** A section for KML/KMZ files you've downloaded, located below the search window.
- Layers:** A section for adding and managing layers, located below the places section. It includes options like Primary Database, Geographic Web, Roads, 3D Buildings, Street View, Borders and Labels, Traffic, Weather, Gallery, Ocean, Global Awareness, Places of Interest, and Terrain.
- Terrain:** A checkbox option in the layers panel to view mountains.
- View Data:** Information on when the displayed image was taken, located at the bottom of the interface.
- Placemark Elements:** A toolbar icon for adding placemarks.
- Video Tour Toggle:** A toolbar icon for toggling video tours.
- Day/Night:** A toolbar icon for toggling between day and night views.
- GE Sky:** A toolbar icon for toggling the sky view.
- Timeline:** A toolbar icon for accessing the timeline.
- Ruler:** A toolbar icon for using the ruler.
- Google Maps:** A toolbar icon for accessing Google Maps.
- Sidebar Toggle:** A toolbar icon for toggling the sidebar.
- Compass & Tilt:** A control for downloading a KML file to use in Google Earth.
- 2D Controller:** A control for navigating the map (Left, Right, Up & Down).
- Zoom:** A control for zooming in and out of the map.