

Kid's Kaleidoscope

Country of the Month

Armenia

Eurasia



CONVERSATION CENTRAL

The Yerevan kids club took a very special trip to which country?

What do you think the kids learned during their trip? Why is it important to learn about other countries?

Every month in Kids Kaleidoscope you have the opportunity to learn about other countries. What has been your favorite country you visited so far? Why?

How has learning about other countries helped you learn about God and His people?

COLOR THE FLAG



The flag of Armenia has three horizontal stripes. Red symbolizes the highlands, the people's struggle for survival and their Christian faith; blue is for the desire of the people to live beneath peaceful skies; and orange represents the creative talent and hard-working nature of the people.

WHERE IS ARMENIA

Armenia is a country on the Eurasia Region. It is landlocked, which means it is surrounded by other countries.

Use the key below to color the countries that surround Armenia on the map:

- Georgia color yellow
- Azerbaijan color blue
- Turkey color red
- Iran color green

Now let's label some Armenian cities and landmarks:

★ Yerevan – this is the capital of

Lake Sevana – a high altitude, fresh water lake. The largest lake in Armenia.

Mt Ararat – Although located in Turkey, and close to the Armenian border, it is a landmark and a symbol of Armenia.



ACTIVITY PAGE

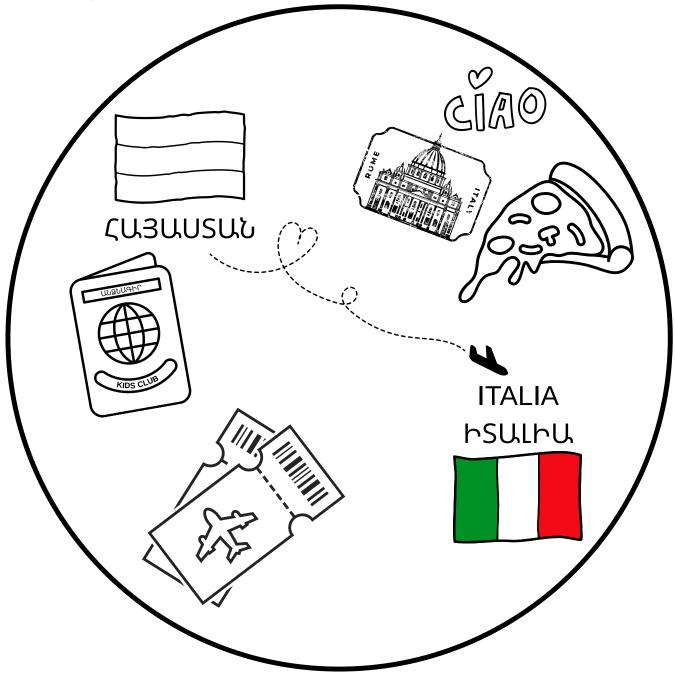
The Yerevan kids club in Armenia went on a fun pretend trip to Italy, where they learned Italian words, Italian landmarks, and even ate pizza. Youth and adult volunteers planned this special day for the kids to help them learn about missions.

Why do you think it is important to learn about other countries?

When we learn about other countries, it helps us to learn about other people. We can learn the language spoken in that country. Maybe it is similar to your language, or maybe it is different. We can learn what people eat in that country. Everyone likes to eat, and sharing food from different places is a great way to learn and enjoy our similarities and differences.

Below you will notice the Armenian flag, a passport, and tickets, to remind us of the country we are learning about today and the group that traveled to Italy to learn about that country. There are words in Armenian that say Armenia and Italy. You can also see drawings of things the children learned about on their trip to Italy.

As you color the Kaleidoscope, talk about places you have traveled to (maybe even through using Kids Kaleidoscope), or would like to travel to. What did you learn? How can you share that with others?



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10 NIV

KIDS KALEIDOSCOPE GAME



Playing group games is something kids like to do all around the world. Gather some friends and try this Armenian chasing game. Don't forget to learn the Armenian words!

To play this game you need to learn two words in Armenian: cat and mouse. You will see the words in English, how to pronouce them, and the words in Armenian.

CAT - katu - կատու MOUSE - muk - Մուկ

Game set-up:

- Choose two children to stand together.
- Form a circle around the two children with everyone else joining their little fingers together. Leave space between each person.
- Choose one of the children in the center to be the "cat or katu," and the other to be "mouse or muk."

Game play:

- The "mouse muk" begins the game by gently tapping the "cat katu" on the shoulder and saying "katu," then running away through one of the openings of the circle.
- The "cat katu" then yells "muk" and runs after the "mouse muk" with the purpose of catching the mouse.
- The "muk" runs through one opening and then another, weaving its way around the circle; the "katu" has to follow the "muk" carefully.

To win:

• The "katu" must catch the "mouse," by touching it on the shoulder. Then a new "katu" and "muk" will be chosen.

This is a very interesting game and it requires a great deal of ingenuity to follow the trail of the "mouse" carefully to catch it.