

The Horizon Ring - Lesson 1 - Grade 4-5

You can draw straight lines on the globe. This is usually hard to do. You can't use a ruler on a curved surface. However, your globe sits in a cradle that has a ring around it.

This ring is the Horizon Ring.

Because your globe sits halfway on this cradle, you can draw a straight line from one place to another.

A straight line on a globe is important because it shows true direction.

The picture below shows how you can use the globe and the mounting to do this.



Step 1

Circle any two cities, say Chicago and Moscow.



Step 2

Place your left thumb on Chicago and your right on Moscow.



Step 3

Move the globe forward until



Step 4

Draw a line, using the Horizon Ring as a

Chicago and Moscow are even
in the Horizon Ring.

straight edge connecting the two cities.

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