

World of Wonder

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities

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Standards

- *Current Events*: Students will report on law enforcement in the newspaper.
- *Social Studies*: Students will report on how to become a police officer.
- *Social Studies*: Students will report on the tools and technology of police work.

Activities

1. *Use the News*: The newspaper is usually full of law-enforcement news. What crimes have been reported? What laws were broken? How did the police deal with it? Has it gone to court? If so, what was the outcome? Write a brief report about one of these newspaper articles.
2. How does someone become a police officer? What are the requirements? What kinds of training will the candidates get? Research or interview a police officer, and write a description of this career process. What are the various departments in which an officer could work?
3. Law-enforcement officers use what type of tools and technology? Research and make a list. Be specific and choose one for a report -- for example, a radar gun. What is it used for? How does it work? Etc.

World of Wonder meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for Grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade level.