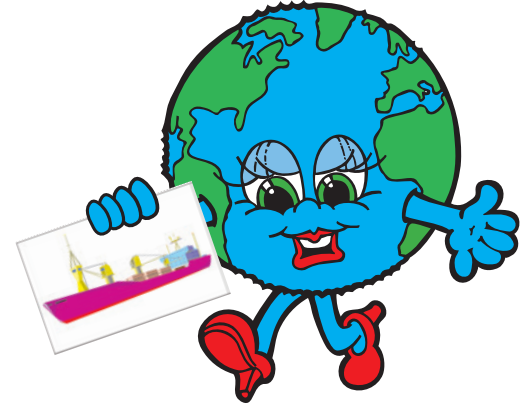


Winnie the World Skit

Winnie the World provides facts about the different countries of the world. She knows what each country is like, where it is located, and how the people live. For this skit, use the Winnie puppet or print out the Winnie picture onto card stock and attach to a craft stick to create a stick puppet.

Winnie the World Loves Vanuatu



- WINNIE:** *(She enters carrying a model of or a picture of a big cargo ship while singing her song to the tune of "We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush.")* Here we go 'round this great big world, this great big world, this great big world. Here we go 'round this great big world, telling people 'bout Jesus. Hi, everyone.
- INTERVIEWER:** Hi, Winnie. What are you doing with that ship? Are you getting ready to go on a cruise?
- WINNIE:** No, but the island country I'm going to talk about today follows a religion that believes in big cargo ships.
- INTERVIEWER:** This sounds interesting. Tell us more.
- WINNIE:** A man named John Frum came to this island and told the people that large cargo ships would come and bring them gifts and blessings. The people believed him, so they worship and wait for the ships to come.
- INTERVIEWER:** Some people will believe all kinds of crazy things. That's why missionaries are so important—so they can tell the people the truth about Jesus and how Jesus is their true hope. What island country is this?
- WINNIE:** The island country is Vanuatu. Vanuatu is in the South Pacific Ocean, about 1,000 miles east of Australia.
- INTERVIEWER:** Tell us more about Vanuatu.
- WINNIE:** Vanuatu is made up of four main islands and more than 80 smaller ones. People live on about 65 of the islands.
- INTERVIEWER:** Do we have missionaries in Vanuatu?
- WINNIE:** Yes we do. We have a number of Assemblies of God churches and several Bible schools.
- INTERVIEWER:** Do the people listen to the message the missionaries bring?

- WINNIE:** They do now but they didn't always listen. In fact, when the first missionaries from England came to Vanuatu in the 1800s, they were killed minutes after their boat landed.
- INTERVIEWER:** That's so sad, Winnie. Did more missionaries come?
- WINNIE:** Yes, more missionaries came. Some were killed, but some were able to share the gospel message. Soon Christianity began to spread throughout the islands. Today the majority of people in Vanuatu claim to be Christians.
- INTERVIEWER:** Once again, this shows the importance of what our missionaries do. If missionaries had not come to Vanuatu, the people never would've heard about Jesus. Has BGMC helped in Vanuatu?
- WINNIE:** BGMC has been a big help in Vanuatu. BGMC has helped to build schools, build medical clinics, buy supplies and medicine for the clinic, provide books for the Bible school, provide books for the pastors, and lots more.
- INTERVIEWER:** That's great, Winnie. The kids here in America are helping people all over the world when they give to BGMC.
- WINNIE:** BGMC is also helping the people of Vanuatu get good, clean drinking water by providing our missionaries the tools to show people how to dig for their own water wells.
- INTERVIEWER:** BGMC is such a blessing to our missionaries. I'm so glad that kids are willing to work to earn money for BGMC and other kids give up some of their birthday or Christmas money so missionaries can reach people around the world.
- WINNIE:** Every penny, nickel, dime, quarter, and dollar is important for missions. Thank you, kids, for giving to BGMC!
- INTERVIEWER:** Thank you, Winnie, for coming today and telling us about Vanuatu. Good-bye.
- WINNIE:** Good-bye, everyone. Whenever you see a cargo ship, remember to pray for the people of Vanuatu and our missionaries there. Sing with me as I go. *(She exits singing her song.)* Here we go 'round this great big world, this great big world, this great big world. Here we go 'round this great big world, telling people 'bout Jesus.



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