

World Geography

World Geography takes students on a journey around the world in which they will learn about the physical and human geography of various regions. They will study the history of each region and examine the political, economic, and cultural characteristics of the world in which we live. Students will also learn about the tools and technologies of geography such as globes, maps, charts, and global information systems.

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to do the following:

- Select and use geographic tools to get information and make predictions.
- Compare places based upon their similarities and differences.
- Identify geographic factors that influenced historic events.
- Evaluate the interrelatedness and interdependence of physical and human systems and their impact on our earth.
- Analyze the role played by culture in the spatial organization of the earth.
- Define the key geographic concerns facing the world and strategize methods to deal with these issues in the future.

Students will also gain practice in writing and note-taking. They will be asked to create graphic organizers, conduct research, analyze information, and write essays on topics such as current events, energy resources, and national parks.

Unit 1: Introduction to Geography		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. Course Overview	13. Physical Characteristics
	2. What Is Geography?	14. Physical Processes: The Atmosphere and the Hydrosphere
	3. Project: Note It*	15. Physical Processes: The Lithosphere and the Biosphere
	4. Geographic Tools: Globes and Maps	16. Ecosystems
	5. Geographic Tools: Graphs, Charts, and More	17. Project: Map It*
	6. Analyzing Workplace Documents*	18. Quiz: Our Earth
	7. Quiz: Introduction to Geography	19. Special Project*
	8. Geographic Themes: Location and Place	20. Review
	9. Geographic Themes: Human-Environmental Interaction and Movement	21. Test: Introduction to Geography
	10. Geographic Themes: Regions	22. Alternate Test: Introduction to Geography*
	11. Project: Summarize It	23. Glossary and Credits
	12. Quiz: Geographic Themes	

Unit 2: Human Geography		
Assignments		
World	1. Population Growth and Technology	10. Quiz: Interactions
	2. Settlement and Movement	11. Geography's Impact on History
	3. Quiz: Where We Live	12. Population, Resources, and Technology
	4. Cultural Mosaics	13. Quiz: Humans and the Environment
		14. Project: Analyze Renewable Energy Sources
	6. Conflict and Cooperation	15. Special Project*
	7. Quiz: Culture, Economics, and Conflict	16. Review
	8. Humans and the Environment: Sustainable Development	17. Test: Human Geography
	9. Humans and the Environment: Pollution and Renewable Resources	18. Alternate Test: Human Geography*
	19. Glossary and Credits	

World Geography	Unit 3: North America	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. North America in Spatial Terms 2. The United States: The Northeast and the South 3. The United States: The Midwest and the West 4. Canada and Greenland 5. Mexico 6. Quiz: Physical Geography - North America 7. Settlement and Movement: North America 8. Culture: North America 9. Economics and Politics: North America 10. U.S. Economy: Cost-Benefit Analysis 11. Quiz: Human Geography - North America 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. Environment and Society: North America 13. Historical Perspectives: North America 14. Looking Ahead: North America 15. Quiz: Uses of Geography - North America 16. Project: Analyze US National Parks 17. Special Project* 18. Review 19. Test: North America 20. Alternate Test: North America* 21. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 4: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central America 2. South America 3. The Caribbean 4. Quiz: Physical Geography - Physical Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 5. Settlement and Movement: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 6. Culture: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 7. Economics and Politics: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 8. Quiz: Human Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 9. Environment and Society: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Historical Perspectives: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 11. Project: Consider Cuba 12. Looking Ahead: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 14. Special Project* 15. Review 16. Test: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean 17. Alternate Test: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean* 18. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 5: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica in Spatial Terms 2. Micronesia, Melanesia, and Polynesia 3. Australia and New Zealand 4. Antarctica 5. Quiz: Physical Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 6. Settlement and Movement: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 7. Culture: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 8. Economics and Politics: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 9. Quiz: Human Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Environment and Society: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 11. Historical Perspectives: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 12. Looking Ahead: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 13. Project: Folk Tales and Culture 14. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 15. Special Project* 16. Review 17. Test: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica 18. Alternate Test: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica* 19. Glossary and Credits

WG	Unit 6: Semester Review and Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review 2. Exam: World Geography Semester 1 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester 1 - Form A* 4. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester 1 - Form B*

World Geography	Unit 7: Western Europe	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Project: Create a Hypothesis 2. Northern Region 3. Western Central Region 4. Southern Region 5. Quiz: Physical Geography - Western Europe 6. Settlement and Movement: Western Europe 7. Culture: Western Europe 8. Economics and Politics: Western Europe 9. Project: Chart Western Europe's Physical and Human Geography 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Quiz: Human Geography - Western Europe 11. Environment and Society: Western Europe 12. Historical Perspectives: Western Europe 13. Looking Ahead: Western Europe 14. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Western Europe 15. Special Project* 16. Review 17. Test: Western Europe 18. Alternate Test: Western Europe* 19. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 8: Eastern Europe and Russia	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central Region 2. Balkan Region 3. Eastern Region 4. Quiz: Physical Geography - Eastern Europe and Russia 5. Settlement and Movement: Eastern Europe and Russia 6. Culture: Eastern Europe and Russia 7. Economics and Politics: Eastern Europe and Russia 8. Quiz: Human Geography - Eastern Europe and Russia 9. Environment and Society: Eastern Europe and Russia 10. Historical Perspectives: Eastern Europe and Russia 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Looking Ahead: Eastern Europe and Russia 12. Project: Impact of the Dissolution of the Soviet Union 13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Eastern Europe and Russia 14. Special Project* 15. Review 16. Test: Eastern Europe and Russia 17. Alternate Test: Eastern Europe and Russia* 18. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 9: Sub-Saharan Africa	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sub-Saharan Africa in Spatial Terms 2. Project: Africa: Book Study 3. West and Central Africa 4. East and Southern Africa 5. Quiz: Physical Geography - Sub-Saharan Africa 6. Settlement and Movement: Sub-Saharan Africa 7. Culture: Sub-Saharan Africa 8. Economics and Politics: Sub-Saharan Africa 9. Quiz: Human Geography - Sub-Saharan Africa 10. Environment and Society: Sub-Saharan Africa 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Historical Perspectives: Sub-Saharan Africa 12. Looking Ahead: Sub-Saharan Africa 13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Sub-Saharan Africa 14. Project: Sub-Saharan Africa Problem and Solution Essay 15. Special Project* 16. Review 17. Test: Sub-Saharan Africa 18. Alternate Test: Sub-Saharan Africa* 19. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 10: North Africa and Southwest Asia	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. North Africa 2. Southwest Asia: The Middle East 3. Southwest Asia: The Arabian Peninsula 4. Quiz: Physical Geography - North Africa and Southwest Asia 5. Settlement and Movement: North Africa and Southwest Asia 6. Culture: North Africa and Southwest Asia 7. Economics and Politics: North Africa and Southwest Asia 8. Quiz: Human Geography: North Africa and Southwest Asia 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Environment and Society: North Africa and Southwest Asia 10. Historical Perspectives: North Africa and Southwest Asia 11. Looking Ahead: North Africa and Southwest Asia 12. Project: Cost-Benefit Analysis of Aswan Dam 13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - North Africa and Southwest Asia 14. Special Project* 15. Review 16. Test: North Africa and Southwest Asia 17. Alternate Test: North Africa and Southwest Asia* 18. Glossary and Credits

World Geography	Unit 11: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central Asia 2. South Asia 3. East Asia 4. Southeast Asia 5. Project: Historical Events and Population Growth 6. Quiz: Physical Geography - South and Southeast Asia 7. Historical Perspectives: South and Southeast Asia 8. Historical Perspectives: East Asia 9. Culture: Central, South, East and Southeast Asia 10. Quiz: Human Geography - Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia 11. Economics and Politics: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. Environment: South and Southeast Asia 13. Environment: East Asia 14. Project: Poetry Explication and Recitation 15. Quiz: Uses of Geography: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia 16. Special Project* 17. Review 18. Test: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia 19. Alternate Test: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia* 20. Glossary and Credits

WG	Unit 12: Semester Review and Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review 2. Exam: World Geography Semester II 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester II - Form A* 4. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester II - Form B*

WG	Unit 13: Final Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exam: World Geography Final 2. Alternate Exam: World Geography Final - Form A 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Final - Form B