

## 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 Geography	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
	5. Economics	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	

Unit 3: North America		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. North America in Spatial Terms	12. Environment and Society: North America
	2. The United States: The Northeast and the South	13. Historical Perspectives: North America
	3. The United States: The Midwest and the West	14. Looking Ahead: North America
	4. Canada and Greenland	15. Quiz: Uses of Geography - North America
	5. Mexico	16. Project: Analyze US National Parks
	6. Quiz: Physical Geography - North America	17. Special Project*
	7. Settlement and Movement: North America	18. Review
	8. Culture: North America	19. Test: North America
	9. Economics and Politics: North America	20. Alternate Test: North America*
	10. U.S. Economy: Cost-Benefit Analysis	21. Glossary and Credits
	11. Quiz: Human Geography - North America	

  

Unit 4: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. Central America	10. Historical Perspectives: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean
	2. South America	11. Project: Consider Cuba
	3. The Caribbean	12. Looking Ahead: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean
	4. Quiz: Physical Geography - Physical Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean
	5. Settlement and Movement: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	14. Special Project*
	6. Culture: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	15. Review
	7. Economics and Politics: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	16. Test: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean
	8. Quiz: Human Geography - Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	17. Alternate Test: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean*
	9. Environment and Society: Central America, South America, and the Caribbean	18. Glossary and Credits

  

Unit 5: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica in Spatial Terms	10. Environment and Society: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica
	2. Micronesia, Melanesia, and Polynesia	11. Historical Perspectives: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica
	3. Australia and New Zealand	12. Looking Ahead: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica
	4. Antarctica	13. Project: Folk Tales and Culture
	5. Quiz: Physical Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	14. Quiz: Uses of Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica
	6. Settlement and Movement: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	15. Special Project*
	7. Culture: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	16. Review
	8. Economics and Politics: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	17. Test: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica
	9. Quiz: Human Geography - Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica	18. Alternate Test: Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica*
	19. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 6: Semester Review and Exam	
WG	<b>Assignments</b>
	1. Review
	2. Exam: World Geography Semester 1
	3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester 1 - Form A*
	4. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester 1 - Form B*

  

Unit 7: Western Europe	
World Geography	<b>Assignments</b>
	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
	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	

  

Unit 8: Eastern Europe and Russia	
World Geography	<b>Assignments</b>
	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
	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	

  

Unit 9: Sub-Saharan Africa	
World Geography	<b>Assignments</b>
	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
	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	

Unit 10: North Africa and Southwest Asia		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. North Africa	9. Environment and Society: North Africa and Southwest Asia
	2. Southwest Asia: The Middle East	10. Historical Perspectives: North Africa and Southwest Asia
	3. Southwest Asia: The Arabian Peninsula	11. Looking Ahead: North Africa and Southwest Asia
	4. Quiz: Physical Geography - North Africa and Southwest Asia	12. Project: Cost-Benefit Analysis of Aswam Dam
	5. Settlement and Movement: North Africa and Southwest Asia	13. Quiz: Uses of Geography - North Africa and Southwest Asia
	6. Culture: North Africa and Southwest Asia	14. Special Project*
	7. Economics and Politics: North Africa and Southwest Asia	15. Review
	8. Quiz: Human Geography: North Africa and Southwest Asia	16. Test: North Africa and Southwest Asia
		17. Alternate Test: North Africa and Southwest Asia*
		18. Glossary and Credits

Unit 11: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia		
Assignments		
World Geography	1. Central Asia	12. Environment: South and Southeast Asia
	2. South Asia	13. Environment: East Asia
	3. East Asia	14. Project: Poetry Explication and Recitation
	4. Southeast Asia	15. Quiz: Uses of Geography: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia
	5. Project: Historical Events and Population Growth	16. Special Project*
	6. Quiz: Physical Geography - South and Southeast Asia	17. Review
	7. Historical Perspectives: South and Southeast Asia	18. Test: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia
	8. Historical Perspectives: East Asia	19. Alternate Test: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia*
	9. Culture: Central, South, East and Southeast Asia	20. Glossary and Credits
	10. Quiz: Human Geography - Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia	
	11. Economics and Politics: Central, South, East, and Southeast Asia	

Unit 12: Semester Review and Exam		
Assignments		
WG	1. Review	3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester II - Form A*
	2. Exam: World Geography Semester II	4. Alternate Exam: World Geography Semester II - Form B*

Unit 13: Final Exam		
Assignments		
WG	1. Exam: World Geography Final	3. Alternate Exam: World Geography Final - Form B
	2. Alternate Exam: World Geography Final - Form A	