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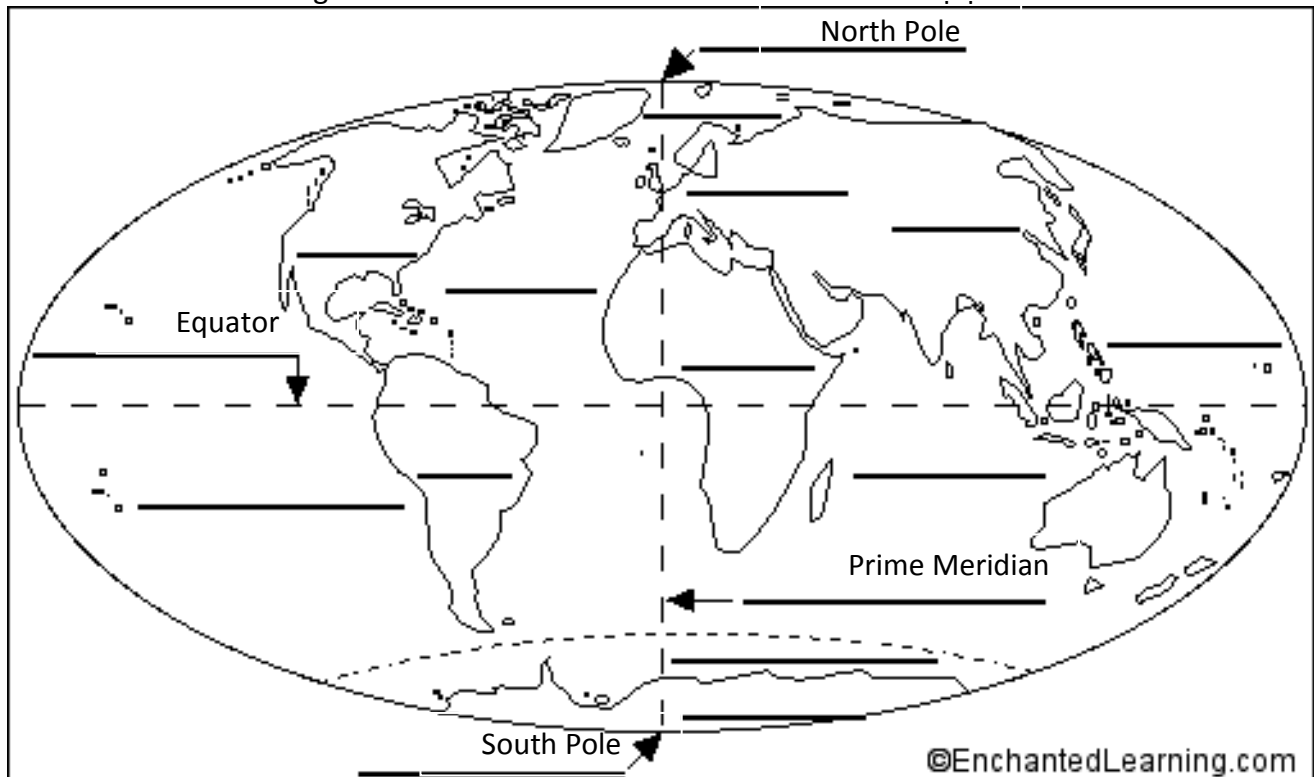
So You Think You Know Social Studies...

6th grade Social Studies Pre-Assessment

Directions: Please complete the pre-assessment below to the best of your ability. You will receive credit for every answer that you complete. Incomplete answers will not receive credit.

Part 1: Geography Skills

Label the original 7 continents and 5 oceans on the world map provided below

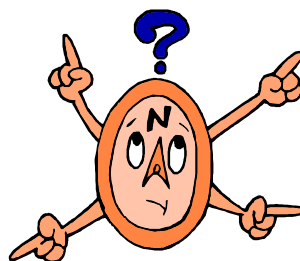


1. What is the name of the line that divides the earth into the Northern and Southern hemispheres? This imaginary line runs around the earth horizontally.

2. What is the name of the line that divides the earth into the Eastern and Western hemispheres? This imaginary line runs around the earth vertically.

3. Name the four cardinal directions:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

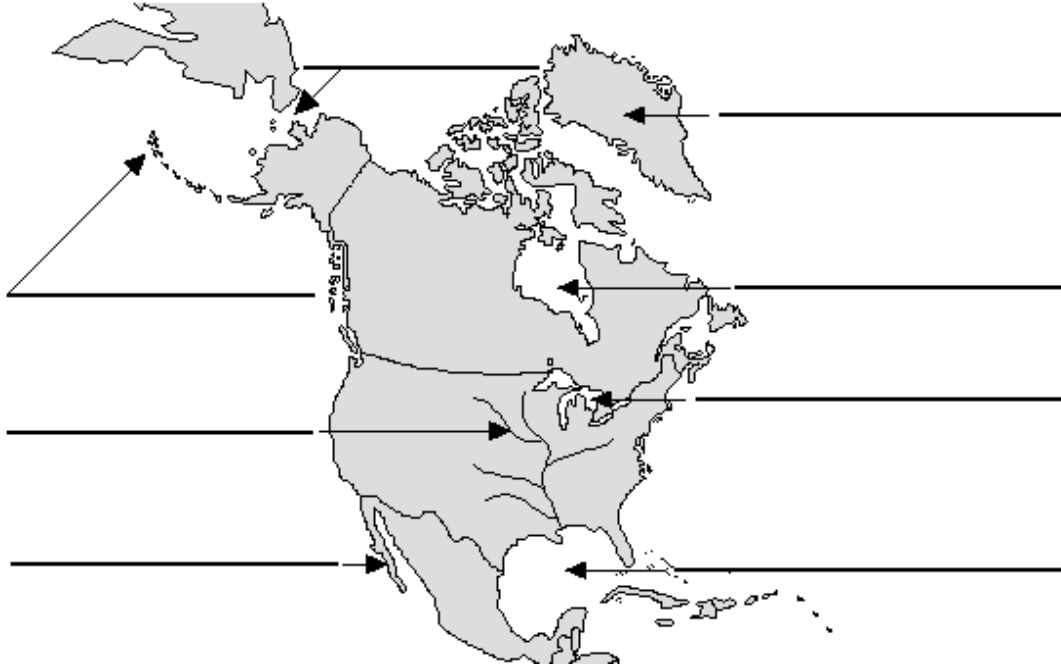


Part 1: Geography Skills (continued)

Physical Landforms

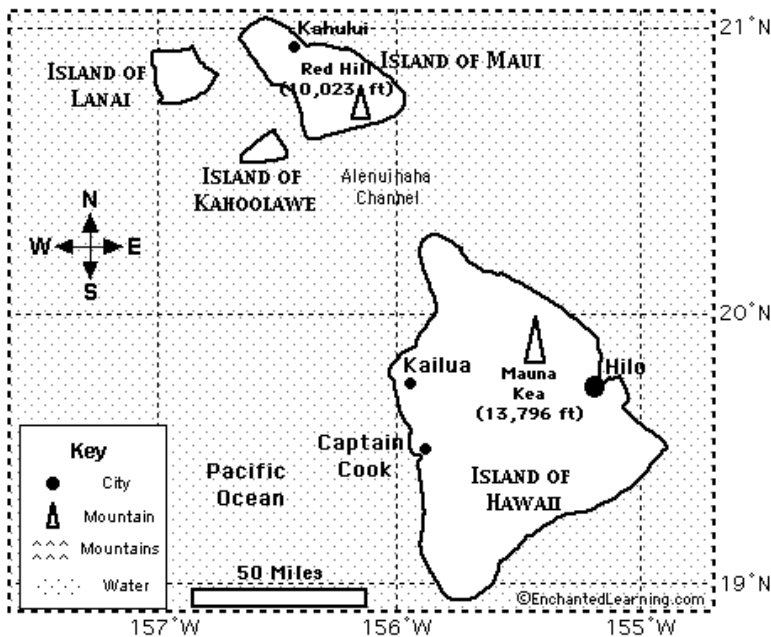
Using the Word Bank below, please label each physical landform on the line provided

archipelago	bay	gulf	island
lake	peninsula	river	strait



How well can you read a map?

Directions: Use the map to the left to answer the questions below.



1. What is the name of the biggest island?

2. What ocean is shown on the map?

3. Which island is furthest west?

4. Which island is furthest south?

5. What direction would you travel to go from Hilo to Mauna Kea?

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Writing Pre-Assessment

Just Write!

Before we can start traveling through time together, it is important for me to not only assess what you may already know about Social Studies, but your ability to read non-fiction and write for information.

This activity will help me to assess your writing ability. In this 20 minute free-write activity, I would like you to write about the story of your life. What is your personal history? Use the questions in the box below to get you thinking and started. Please try and include an introduction and conclusion. This will not count negatively against your grade in any way; just try your best!

Where were you born?

What do you like to do?

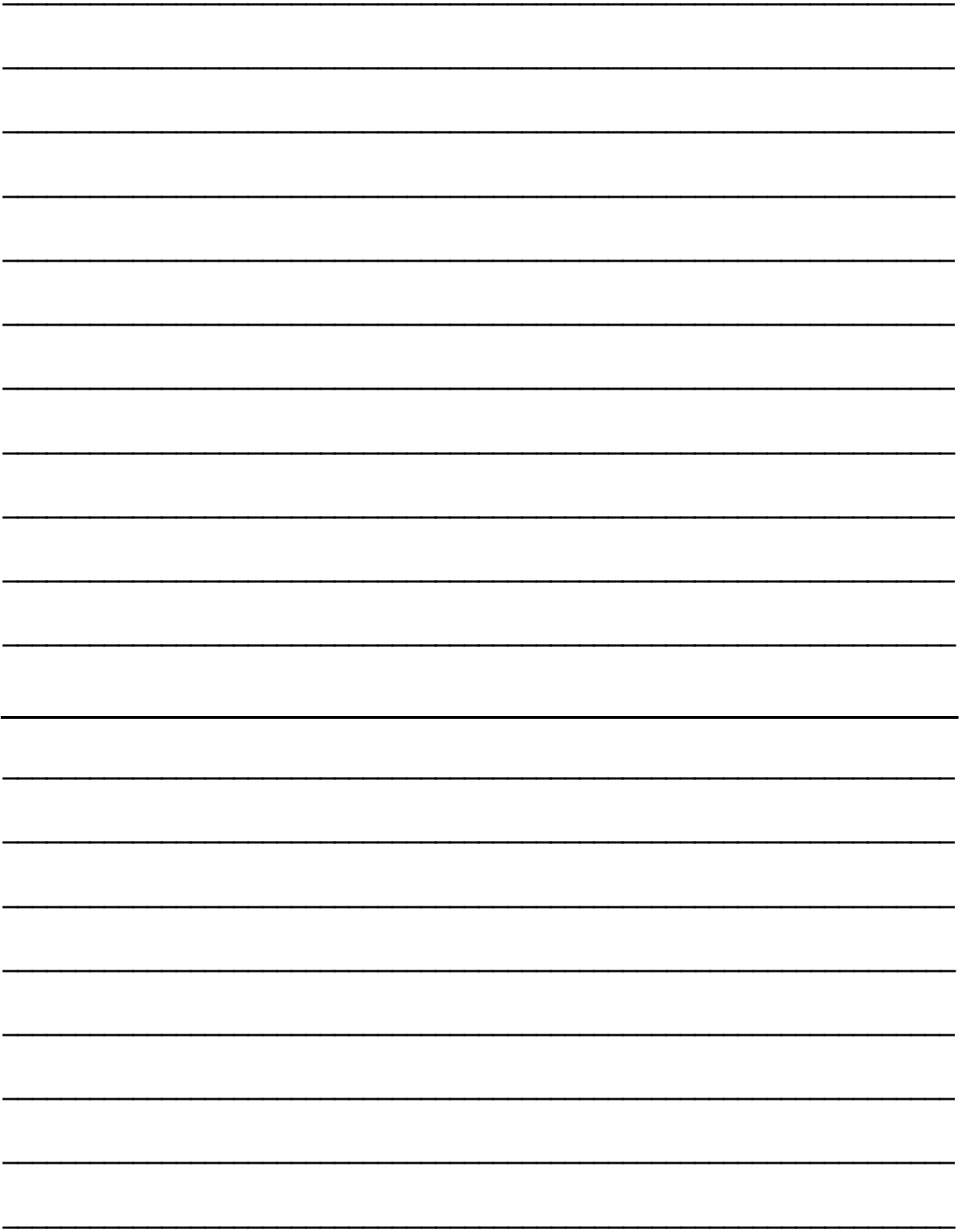
What is your best/most

Who is in your family?

Where have you lived?

important memory?

Continue on the back of this page if you need more space...



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Topic: _____

Directions: Please practice taking notes on page HT2-HT3 in the Cornell Notes grid below.

Questions/Key Words

NOTES

SUMMARY

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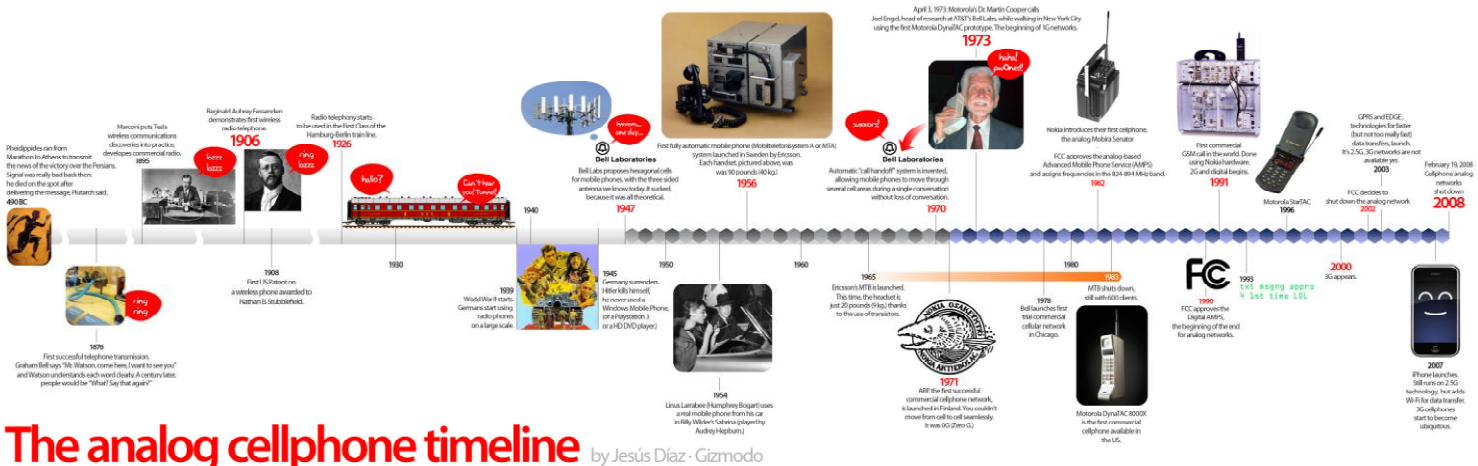
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What's Your Timeline?

SWBAT: Create a timeline of at least 15 important events that took place in your life with at least 5 images to enhance your timeline

This mini-project is worth 50 points
 We started this project on: _____
 This project will be due on: _____

You have a very important and impressive life story to tell! Over the course of the next few days, we are going to work together to create a timeline of your life. Before we get started, let's explore the essential piece of a timeline...



The analog cellphone timeline by Jesús Díaz - Gizmodo

<http://cache.gizmodo.com/assets/resources/2008/02/Cellphones-Timelines3.jpg>

The timeline above shows the progression of the cell phone. As we explore the timeline together, please list the most important elements that we discussed on the lines below.

Name: _____ Period: _____ (What's Your Timeline) continued...

Step-By-Step Instructions and Checklist

1. Create a list of 15 important events in your life (in your notebook) ✓
2. Write a one to two sentence description for each event ✓
3. Find at least five photographs to accompany your events and descriptions ✓
 Please ask permission before taking photos!
4. Layout your timeline on the timeline paper. Begin by creating a scale. ✓
 * This means that each year will equal _____ cm *
5. Write each year, from the year of your birth to the present on your timeline. ✓
6. Now you are ready to write the date of your event and description on your timeline. You may type these if you prefer. ✓
7. Add your images AND A TITLE, along with any elements of design and color ✓
8. Review and edit your work if needed ☺

Rubric for Evaluation

	5	4	3	2	1
Events Included	Includes 15 events	Includes 12-14 events	Includes 8-11 events	Includes 5-8 events	Includes less than 5 events
Descriptions of Events	All of the descriptions include 2 detailed sentences	Most of the descriptions include 1-2 detailed sentences	All of the descriptions include 1 detailed sentence	Most of the descriptions include 1 sentence	Many of the events do not include descriptions
Format, Layout, and Scale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline has an accurate scale • Superior effort and creativity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline has an accurate scale • Good effort and creativity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline has an accurate scale • Some effort and creativity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline has an accurate scale • Little effort and creativity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The timeline was not drawn to scale • May not be complete
Images Included	Includes at least 5 images	Includes at least 4 images	Includes at least 3 images	Includes at least 2 images	Includes at least 1 image
Spelling and Mechanics	NO MISTAKES	1-3 Mistakes	4-6 Mistakes	7-9 Mistakes	More than 10 mistakes

Total = _____ out of 25 x 2 = _____ out of 50

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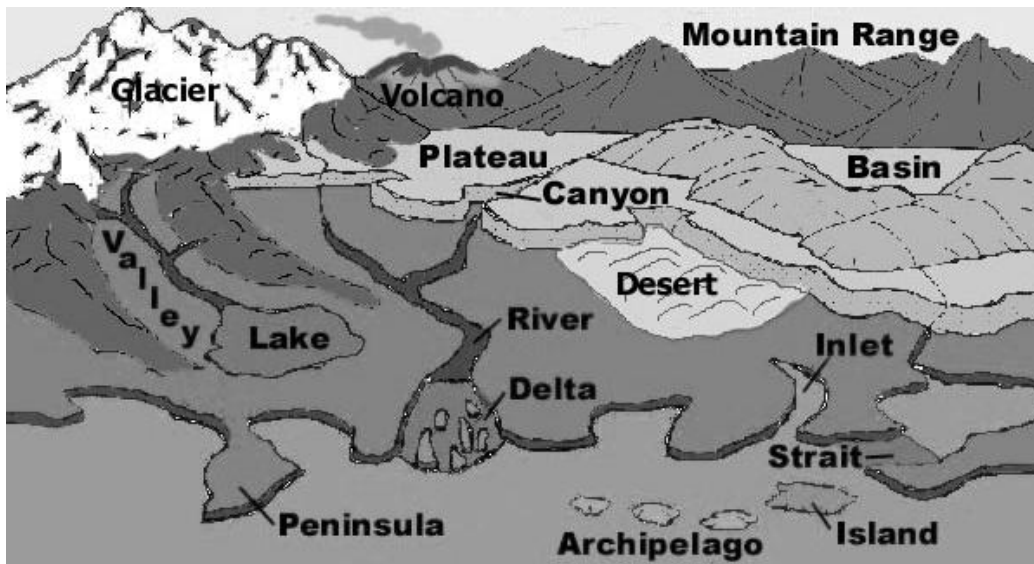
Which Landform Is It?

SWBAT: Upon completion of this activity, you will be able to create a graphic organizer to help you identify, define, and illustrate physical landforms

This assignment has two parts:
 We will paint (and label) our clay 3D mold on Tuesday and Wednesday
 You will work on the flashcards as homework
The flashcards are due on Thursday 9/23/10

On each flashcard, please...

- Write the definition of each physical landform (Use the Landforms and Physical Features matching worksheet we did together in class to help you!)
- Cut out (or draw) a picture of each physical landform from the diagram provided



Checklist of flashcards to complete...

1. Plain	<input type="radio"/>
2. Plateau	<input type="radio"/>
3. Valley	<input type="radio"/>
4. Mountain	<input type="radio"/>
5. Island	<input type="radio"/>
6. Peninsula	<input type="radio"/>
7. Archipelago	<input type="radio"/>
8. River	<input type="radio"/>
9. Mouth	<input type="radio"/>
10. Delta	<input type="radio"/>

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Lesson 1.4: What are the 5 themes of geography?

<p><u>Key Words</u> <u>Geography...</u> below:</p>	<p><u>NOTES</u> List the FIVE themes of geography</p>
<p><u>SUMMARY</u> <i>How does geography affect you on a daily basis?</i></p>	

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Lesson 1.4: What are the 5 themes of geography?

Summary Activity

Categorize each piece of information as "location," "region," "place," "movement," or "environment." /

1. _____ This maritime city used to be one of the world's busiest trade centers.
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- _____ People get around by riding boats called gondolas.
- _____ It's nearly 400 kilometers north of Rome.
- _____ Built on a shallow lagoon, this "floating city" has canals instead of roads.

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Get Ready to Travel Around the World and Back!

SWBAT: Apply your knowledge of types of maps and map skills to create a reference atlas that showcases the seven continents

This project is worth 100 points
We started this project on: _____
This project will be due on: _____

In your first project of the year, you create a passport booklet that showcases the geography of the seven continents. On each passport page, you will create a map of one of the seven continents and you will answer questions about that continent creating a reference book that you can continue to use throughout the year.

Format...

(We will begin each page in class, but the pages are described below as well)

Page 1: Introduction Page

- This page will introduce you! Be sure to include your name, city that you live in, state that you live in, school, grade, favorite subject, favorite sport or hobby, one goal for sixth grade, and one goal for when you grow up!

Page 2: North America (Political Map)

Page 3: South America (Physical Map)

Page 4: Africa (Physical Map)

Page 5: Europe (Resource Map)

Page 6: Asia (Population Map)

Page 7: Australia (Climate Map)

Page 8: Antarctica (Physical Map)

On Pages 2 through 8...

In addition to creating a map of each of the continents, you will be asked to answer the following questions

1. What hemisphere is this continent in?
2. What is the area/size of this continent?
3. What is the physical geography of this continent?
4. What is the population of this continent?
5. Describe one place you would like to visit on this continent and why?

Name: _____ Period: _____ (Passport to the World) continued...

Step-By-Step Instructions and Checklist

1. Begin by setting up your passport according to the format described above √
(WE WILL DO THIS TOGETHER IN CLASS!)
2. In your notebook, using the Atlas and maps provided in class, begin to answer √
 the 5 questions for each continent.
3. After Ms. Capalbo has checked the answers, you can neatly write your answers √
 in your Passport book.
4. Don't forget to write your answers to the introduction page on the first page of √
 your Passport! Also, don't forget to include a picture of yourself!
(Be sure to ask your parents before borrowing a picture!)
5. Once you have finished writing your answers, you can begin to create the maps √
 for each page following the order on the other side of this sheet.
(Don't forget to color the maps too!)
6. Review and edit your work and bring it to school to be handed in ☺

Rubric For Evaluation

	5	4	3	2	1
Descriptions of each continent	Five questions answered for all 7 continents	4-5 questions answered for 7 continents	3-4 questions answered for 6-7 continents	2-3 questions answered for 5-6 continents	Fewer than 2 questions answered for 4-5 continents
Accuracy of the maps of each continent	All 7 maps are fully accurate and labeled	6-7 maps are mostly accurate and labeled	5-6 maps are somewhat accurate and labeled	4-5 maps are barely accurate and may not be labeled	Less than 3 maps are completed and labeled
The layout of the book	8 Passport Pages are complete	6-7 Passport Pages are complete	4-5 Passport Pages are complete	2-3 Passport Pages are complete	Only 1 Passport Page is complete
Presentation of the Passport	8 passport pages are neat and colorful	6-7 passport pages are neat and colorful	4-5 passport pages are neat and colorful	2-3 passport pages are neat and colorful	The Passport is not neat nor colorful
Spelling and Mechanics	NO Mistakes	1-3 Mistakes	4-6 Mistakes	7-9 Mistakes	More than 10 Mistakes

Total: _____ out of 25 = _____ out of 100 which equals a letter grade of _____
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Creating a Passport...

Directions for folding your Passport...

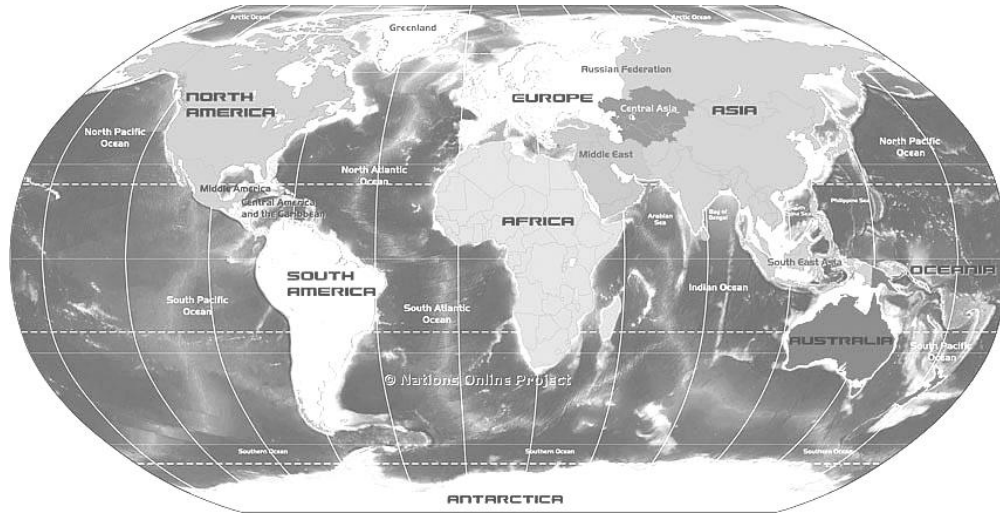
1. Hold a piece of Construction Paper the tall way (vertical) and fold it in half like a hamburger
2. Repeat this process with three other pieces of Construction paper to create 8 total boxes
3. Cut a slit up the middle of one half of each of the four folded pieces of construction paper to create eight tabs.
4. Glue all four pieces of construction paper together to create a book with eight pages.
5. Label each page. Then, cut out each continent map and glue one map onto each of the eight tabs. Be sure to leave the first tab blank for your photo!
6. Begin answering your questions, labeling and coloring your maps, and completing your Passport! 😊

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The Seven Continents Fact Sheet! (DO NOT LOSE ME!)



North America

- **Area:** 9.3 million square miles. North America is the third largest continent.
- **Location:** North America includes Greenland, Canada, the United States, Mexico, Central America, and the islands of the Caribbean.
- **Population:** 523 million people
- **Physical Geography:** North America has two mountain ranges, the Rocky Mountains and the Appalachian Mountains. Major waterways include the Hudson Bay, Great Lakes, Mississippi River, and the St. Lawrence River.
- **Elevation:** Highest point: Mount McKinley in Alaska (20, 320 feet)
Lowest point: Death Valley in California (282 feet below sea level)



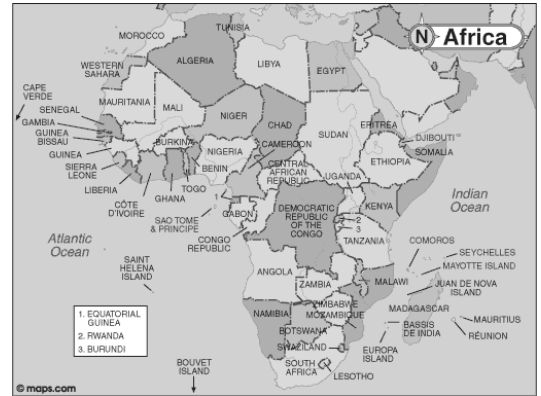
South America

- **Area:** 7 million square miles. South America is the fourth largest continent.
- **Location:** South America stretches from the Caribbean Sea in the north to Cape Horn in the south.
- **Population:** 381 million people
- **Physical Geography:** South America is home to the world's longest mountain range, the Andes Mountains. The continent's longest river is the Amazon River, which is 4,000 miles long! The area around the Amazon River, which is called the Amazon River Basin covers more than 1/3 of South America.
- **Elevation:** Mt. Aconcagua is the tallest mountain in the western hemisphere (22, 831 feet).



Africa

- **Area:** 11.7 million square miles. Africa is the second largest continent.
- **Location:** Africa stretches from the Mediterranean Sea in the North to the tip of South Africa.
- **Population:** 944 million people. Africa is also the second largest country in terms of population.
- **Physical Geography:** Africa has some deserts, including the Sahara Desert, which is the largest in the world. Africa also has some tropical rain forests, grasslands, and many major rivers, including the Nile River, which is the world's largest river. It is 4, 145 miles long and flows through Egypt and empties into the Mediterranean Sea.
- **Elevation:** Highest point: Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania (19, 331 feet)



Europe

- **Area:** 4 million square miles. Europe is the sixth largest continent.
- **Location:** Europe stretches from the cold Arctic Circle in the North to the warm sunny beaches on the Mediterranean Sea in the South.
- **Population:** 727 million people.
- **Physical Geography:** Europe has many rivers that are important transportation highways. Europe also has excellent farmland and natural resources that include iron ore, coal, and oil.
- **Elevation:** The Ural Mountains and the Caucasus Mountains separate Europe from Asia.



Asia

- **Area:** 17 million square miles. Asia is the world's largest continent! It accounts for 1/3 of the world's total area!
- **Location:** Asia is located to the east of Europe. It stretches from the Ural Mountains to the Japanese Islands and Indonesian Islands in the Pacific Ocean.
- **Population:** 4 billion people. Asia is the largest continent in population. 3/5 of all of the people in the world live in Asia.
- **Physical Geography:** Asia includes the cold region of Siberia, rich farmland in China and India and the warm and humid rainforests of Southeast Asia. Asia has several countries made up of many islands, including Indonesia, the Philippines, Japan, and Malaysia.
- **Elevation:** Highest point: Mt. Everest on the border of Nepal and China (29, 028 feet).



Mt. Everest is the highest mountain in the world!!

Lowest point: The Dead Sea, a saltwater lake on the border of Jordan and Israel.

The Dead Sea is 1, 365 feet below sea level and is the lowest point in the world.

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The Seven Continents Fact Sheet! (continued)

Australia

- **Area:** Almost 3 million square miles (2.97 million square miles)
- **Location:** Australia is both a continent and a country. It is located in the region of Oceania, which also includes the island nation of New Zealand and many other small islands throughout the Pacific Ocean.
- **Population:** 35 million people
- **Physical Geography:** Australia is the world's smallest continent, but the sixth-largest country. Most of the population lives along the eastern and southeastern coasts.
- **Elevation:** Highest point: Mount Kosciuszko (7,312 feet)
Lowest point: Lake Eyre is 49 feet below sea level



Antarctica

- **Area:** 5.3 million square miles. Antarctica is actually 1.4 times bigger than the United States! 98% of Antarctica is covered with thick snow and ice.
- **Location:** Antarctica is located on the South Pole. Although it appears to be a straight line on flat maps, it is actually circular. Antarctica is surrounded by the Southern ocean.
- **Population:** There are NO permanent residents and there has never been a native population in Antarctica. In the summer (which is the shortest season in Antarctica) about 4,000 scientists live on scientific bases and do research. Only 1,000 of those scientists stay through the winter. Approximately 30,000 tourists come to Antarctica a year. Antarctica is also home to MANY penguins, seals, and whales.
- **Physical Geography:** The Transantarctic Mountain Chain is 2,050 miles long. Antarctica holds the world record for the coldest temperature (-128.6° F) and the strongest wind gust (154 miles per hour). Antarctica is considered a desert because it gets so little rainfall a year.
- **Elevation:** Highest points: Mt. Vinson (4,892 feet), Mt. Tyree (4,852 feet), and Mt. Shinn (4,661 feet)

