

AP Human Geography Summer Assignment

Introduction: Success in AP Human Geography requires an understanding of the basic building blocks of the course. The terms you define and the locations you identify on this assignment will be referenced multiple times during the course of the semester. Consider this assignment your foundation to the house you will build this spring.

Directions: Part 1 has a written component that is due by Monday, August 7. Send your completed work to **DHSAPHumanGeography@gmail.com** with “**AP Human Geography Summer Assignment**” in the subject line. Part 2 consists of a list of items to study. Students will take a quiz during the first week of the course to assess their knowledge of the items from Part 2.

Part 1 - Introductory Geographic Terms

Directions: Provide a concise definition of each term **AND** include its significance to the study of geography. Provide the internet source you used to find the definition (don't use wiki or anything with “Answers” in the title). You will be expected to appropriately use and apply these terms by the start of class.

Cultural Hearth	Formal Regions	Pop Culture vs Folk Culture
Cultural Landscape	Functional Regions	Relocation Diffusion
Cultural Taboo	Globalization	Remote Sensing
Custom	Map Scale	Robinson Map Projection
Distance Decay	Mathematical Location	Site
Environmental Determinism vs Possibilism	Mercator Map Projection	Situation
Expansion Diffusion	Perceptual/Vernacular Regions	Space-Time Compression
Field Study	Peters Map Projection	Spatial Distribution

Part 2 - Preparing for the Week 1 Map Quiz

Directions: Students will take a quiz during the first week of the semester on the following geographic locations. You must be ready for the quiz by the first day of the course.

Countries (35): Be able to identify the following countries on a blank political map.

Argentina	Brazil	Democratic Republic of the Congo	France
Australia	Canada	Egypt	Germany
Bangladesh	China		India
Belgium	Cuba		Indonesia

Iran	Netherlands	South Africa	United Kingdom
Iraq	Nigeria	South Korea	United States
Israel	North Korea	Spain	Venezuela
Italy	Pakistan	Turkey	
Japan	Russia	Ukraine	
Mexico	Saudi Arabia	United Arab Emirates	

World Regions: Be able to place the following regions on a blank world map **AND** name two countries from each region (except Siberia):

The Caribbean	Melanesia	South Asia
Central America	Micronesia	Southeast Asia
Central Asia	North Africa	Southwest Asia
East Asia	North America	Sub-Saharan Africa
Eastern Europe	Polynesia	Western Europe
Latin America	Siberia	

Bodies of Water (15):

Atlantic Ocean	Mediterranean Sea	Congo River	Rio Grande River
Pacific Ocean	Gulf of Mexico	Ganges River	Southern Ocean
Arctic Ocean	U.S. Great Lakes	Mississippi River	Yangtze River
Indian Ocean	Amazon River	Nile River	

Landforms (10):

Rocky Mountains	Pyrenees Mountains	Sahara Desert
Appalachian Mountains	Balkan Mountains	Amazon Basin
Andes Mountains	Ural Mountains	
Alps Mountains	Himalaya Mountains	