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Consumption Patterns in the United States: The Impact of Living Well.

5 Tables Activity. In your group of 5-6 people, rotate around the stations in numerical order.

Table #	Questions
<p># 1</p> <p>Rise of Consumerism – PBS Article & photographs</p>	<p>Consumption:</p> <p>Consumerism:</p> <p>What do Figure 1 and Figure 2 (pictures) tell you about consumption in the United States?</p> <p>Why did American consumers want to spend money after WWII?</p> <p>List 5 examples of new items that people wanted to buy:</p>
<p># 2</p> <p><i>Geography Alive!</i> Textbook pg. 107-109.</p>	<p>Americans have made _____ a way of life.</p> <p>An example of a developing country is _____ and an example of a developed country is _____.</p> <p>List 3 reasons people in developing countries have lower rates of consumption:</p> <p>Gross Domestic Product (GDP):</p> <p>Per Capita means:</p> <p>The United States has a _____ per capita GDP. This means it's a wealthy country.</p>

<p># 3</p> <p><i>Geography Alive!</i> Textbook pg. 109-112.</p>	<p>What is the cause of world hunger?</p> <p>Why do farmers in India sell their food abroad when so many people do not have food in that country?</p> <p>The United States has _____% of the world population, but they consume _____% of oil pumped out of the ground each year.</p> <p>What will happen when the rest of the developing world wants the same luxuries as the United States?</p>
<p># 4</p> <p>Black Friday Photos & Consumerism fact sheet.</p>	<p>'Black Friday' is a day for shopping where Americans can get cheap deals on holiday goods. Examine the photos: What do you see in these pictures?</p> <p>What emotions do you feel when looking at the photos?</p> <p>What do these photos say about American consumerism?</p> <p>The average American consumes as much as how many Ethiopians?</p> <p>Roughly how many people die from hunger related causes each year?</p> <p>There are more _____ than High Schools in the U.S.</p>

<p># 5</p> <p>Great Pacific Garbage Patch: 'Trash Island' reading & photos</p>	<p>The Great Pacific Garbage patch is:</p> <p>The amount of debris in the Great Pacific Garbage patch accumulates because it is not _____. Plastic is an example.</p> <p>What effect does this garbage have on marine animals?</p> <p>This 'Trash Island' is roughly twice the size of what U.S. state? _____</p> <p>Examine the photos. What is happening in Figure 4?</p> <p>Explain the message of the Figure 5 cartoon:</p> <p>What is happening in Figure 6 and 7?</p>
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Critical reflection (At least 5 sentences):

What are some ways that we (as Americans) can consume less?
