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

Use the 2 articles and the Geography Alive book! Ch 7 starting on page 107.

	Questions
WARM UP:	Consumption: the using up a goods and services
Disc of	Consumerism: the idea that a country buying goods and services in large quantities will be better off economically
Rise of Consumerism – PBS Article & photographs	Why were Americans able to spend money on new goods after WWII?
	What factors led people to want to buy new consumer goods? List 2.
	List 5 examples of new items that people wanted to buy:
	"Americans have madea way of life."
<i>Geography Alive!</i> Textbook pg.	How much money does the average American spend on personal consumption?
107-108. Consumption Patterns in the	List 3 reasons people in developing countries have lower rates of consumption:
U.S.	What is the most common measure of development in a country? What is another measure?
Definitions on pg. 109	Define Gross Domestic Product (GDP):
	Define Per Capita :

<i>Geography Alive!</i> Textbook pg. 110:	"There is enough food on the planet to feed everyone, but it is not " What does this mean?
Food Consumption Patterns	Compare calorie intake in rich countries with calorie intake in developing countries. How could Americans help to fix this imbalance?
	Why do farmers in countries with high poverty levels (such as India) sell the food they grow to other countries?
	How is poverty a major cause of world hunger? Explain.
	How does the developed world use oil?
Geography Alive! Textbook pg. 111 Oil Consumption Patterns	Americans make up what percentage of the world's population?
	How much of the world's oil does the U.S. consume?
	With developing countries becoming more dependant on oil, how could this affect worldwide consumption? How could this affect the environment?
	What are 3 goods made from oil? (look at the side of page)

	What is the Great Pacific Garbage patch and where is it located?
National Geographic Article:	What is an ocean gyre?
"Great Pacific Garbage Patch"	Why does debris accumulate in the gyre?
	What are the main sources of the marine debris (where does it come from)?
	What effect does this garbage have on marine animals?
	How does American (and global) consumerism contribute to this disaster?
	Think: How could you personally help?

Critical reflection (Minimum of 5 sentences):

What will be the impact of U.S. consumption & consumerism on the rest of the world if the current levels continue? Use **evidence** from your reading.

