

Study Guide: North America!

Physical Geography of the United States:

Where are the largest groups of immigrants to the U.S. currently coming from?

How do immigrants change the culture of U.S.?

Why do people immigrate to the U.S.?

How were landforms like the Appalachian Mountains formed?

What type of natural resources does the United States have?

How were the Great Lakes formed?

The St. Lawrence Seaway System connects which two large bodies of water?

Why is the St. Lawrence Seaway System so important?

Be sure that you understand the steps to breaking down political cartoons. There will be 2 or 3 on the test that I want you to analyze.

Consumption Patterns in the U.S.

What is consumerism?

What is consumption?

Why did consumerism increase after World War II?

Define Gross Domestic Product:

What are examples of products that the U.S. consumes more of than the rest of the world?

Do developing countries or developed countries tend to consume more?

Why do people in developing countries sell food when there are shortages of food in their own country?

What is the Great Pacific Garbage Patch?

Urban Geography

Define:

Urbanization

Infrastructure

Urban Sprawl

Suburbs

Urban Renewal

Gentrification

New Urbanism

How is urbanization affecting Austin?

What are some examples of urban renewal or gentrification in Austin?

Canada: Human Geography (A days will do this on Monday! Don't panic!)

Define:

Inuit

First Nation

Separatism

Emigrate

Which European nations historically had control over Canada?

How is this influence seen in elements of culture today?

Why are the tar sands controversial?

Which groups are concerned with extracting oil from the tar sands and why?

Which parts of Canada are the most densely populated?

What is NAFTA and why is it important?