

Unit Topic Lesson Lesson Objectives

Unit 1: Introduction to Human and Physical Geography

Topic 1: AP Human Geography

Welcome to AP Human Geography

Topic 2: Concepts of Geography

Thinking Geographically

Define geography and examine its various uses

Identify the roles of perception, perspective, and scale in geography

Geographic Concepts

Examine the Five Themes of Geography

Identify the Six Essential Elements of Geography

Working with Maps and Data in Geography

Differentiate among the most commonly used map projections

Identify different types of maps, including climate, physical, and political, and identify their purposes

Use coordinates of latitude and longitude to determine location

Evolution of Geographic Theories and Ideas

Examine the different theories of land use and settlement

Compare the theories of sequent occupance and cultural landscape

Unit 2: Human Geography: Population

Topic 1: Analyzing Population

Population Distribution

Identify sources of data used by geographers

Understand methods geographers use to measure and represent population density

Identify and describe the four stages of demographic transition

Interpret and compare demographic data and draw conclusions

Recognizing Population Patterns and Historical Trends

Explore historical trends of population distribution

Examine historical patterns of human migration

Identify global population distribution and reasons why it is concentrated in some areas and not in others

Patterns of Fertility and Mortality

Define the terms fertility and mortality and understand their meanings in terms of demographics

Understand the relevance of total fertility rate, mortality rate, and infant mortality rate

Analyze differences in the fertility and mortality rates of low-income versus high-income countries



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Tonic 2: Population - Growth and Decline				

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Health Care and Disease

Analyze factors contributing to modern health crises

Define the term endemic as it applies to disease

Identify common endemic diseases

Examine the effects of HIV/AIDS on the population of Botswana

Politics, Policies, and Population

Identify economic, social, and environmental factors contributing to government population policies Analyze the Swedish government's motivation for promoting population growth

Controlling Population: Eugenics and Genocide

Identify factors contributing to government involvement in population policies and changes

Understand the theory of eugenics and the act of genocide as they relate to Nazi Germany before and during

WWII and Rwanda in 1994

Topic 3: Population - Movement

Movement: Migration

Differentiate between forms of human movement, including migration, cyclic movement, and periodic movement

Contrast forced and voluntary migrations

Evaluate reasons for voluntary and domestic migration

Examine reasons for historical forced migrations

Immigration: Refugees and Asylees

Analyze trends in the international migration of refugees

Explore examples of migration due to political, economic, social, or environmental reasons

Identify challenges facing refugees, their destination countries, and humanitarian aid organizations

Economics of Migration

Identify recent patterns of human migration for economic purposes

Examine the impact of remittances on migrant workers' home nations

Understand the impact of migrant workers on the economies of their country of employment

Analyze the socioeconomic consequences of migration



Unit 3: Human Geography: Culture

Topic 1: Cultural Differences

Exploring Culture: Concepts of Culture

Identify the main components of culture

Differentiate between types of cultures, including popular culture, subculture, and local culture

Examine the relationship between the environment and culture

Exploring Culture: World Religions

Identify the five major world religions

Compare and contrast the beliefs of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam

Compare and contrast the beliefs of Buddhism and Hinduism

Exploring Culture: Diffusion of Religion

Explore the spread and diffusion of the major world religions

Examine the ways cultures have appropriated, diffused, and changed religions

Identify cultural conflicts based on religious differences

Exploring Culture: Language

Identify the world's language families and examine how a language family evolves

Examine the diffusion of languages

Understand how language contributes to a region's cultural identity

Exploring Culture: Race, Ethnicity, and Gender

Understand the concept of identity and how identities are constructed

Differentiate between race and ethnicity and explore their roles in defining identity

Differentiate between gender-based systems of lineage and leadership in societies

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Topic 2: Environment and Culture

The Environment: Shaping Cultures

Explore the effects of environment on culture

Identify environmental factors that contribute to settlement patterns, the establishment of settlements, and the formation of culture

Examine the effects of environmental diseases on specific cultures, and identify efforts to eradicate or control these diseases

Altering the Environment

Examine techniques that humans have used to physically alter the natural environment.

Analyze technologies humans have developed to survive and thrive in environments.



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•		Greening th	ne Globe
			Identify global and regional environmental concerns
			Analyze the potential effects of climate change on environments and ecosystems
			Explore social and political trends in sustainable environmental planning
Unit 4: Po	olitics and Bound	laries	
	Topic 1: B	oundaries	
		Territory ar	nd Boundaries in Geography
			Examine concepts in political geography and identify ways space is organized into states
			Compare and contrast nations and states as political constructs
			Examine how boundaries are created through physical geography, geometry, and conflict
		Geographe	r's Perspective: the Influence of Boundaries on Culture
			Examine how boundaries influence the distribution of goods and services, the ways issues are confronted, and who is represented
			Explore the ways that boundaries influence identity, interaction, and exchange
			Identify issues created by territoriality and boundaries, both natural and artificial
		Geographe	r's Perspective: Types of Government and Political Systems
		2228.24	Differentiate among the types of states, including unitary and federal systems
			Identify and describe key forms of government
		Geography	and Internal Boundaries
		0 . ,	Understand the types of internal boundaries including city, county, state, and federal
			Differentiate between enclaves, exclaves, and territories as internal units
	Topic 2: Ir	mperialism, Color	nialism, and Change
	·	Changing G	eography: Colonialism
		2 0	Identify periods of expansion throughout history
			Differentiate between direct and indirect rule
			Differentiate among a territory, a colony, a commonwealth, and a dependency

Colonialism in Africa, Asia, and the Americas

Compare and contrast European colonialism in Africa, Asia, and the Americas

Compare and contrast the colonial systems of Spain, England, and France in the New World

Analyze the effects of the scramble for Africa on the people and economies of the continent

Identify key trade goods that encouraged colonialism in Asia



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-		Changing Ge	ography: Creating the Nation-State	
			Identify the major concepts behind the nation-state	
			Analyze the development of the nation-state, including factors, challenges, and incentives for creation	
			Examine the role of growing nationalism on the nation-state	
	Tonic 2: Challenges to Modern Governments			

Topic 3: Challenges to Modern Governments

Post-Colonial Governments in Asia

Explore India's journey from colony to parliamentary nation

Compare post-colonial governments, including communist, democratic, and dictatorial in Asia

Post-Colonial Governments in Africa

Identify the social and economic challenges that have been created or worsened by post-colonial governments in sub-Saharan Africa

Explore the political evolution from the Belgian Congo to the DRC and identify the social and economic implications the many changes have had on the current nation

Post-Colonial Governments in the Americas

Compare post-colonial governments, including communist, democratic, and dictatorial, in the Americas Explore the continued challenges faced by the post-colonial government of Colombia

Changing Geography: Changing Politics

Identify recent changes in political identities from unifications

Explore the impact that wars, disputed territories, and religion in politics have on global relationships Analyze the challenges caused by the creation of new countries

Terrorism: The Global Threat

Examine the causes of terrorism

Identify measures taken to prevent terrorism

Compare and contrast terrorism attacks across time

Modern Global Concerns

Identify environmental challenges and possible solutions

Examine the impact of globalization on world economies and the rise of regional economic blocs

Analyze the reasons nuclear proliferation is a major global issue affecting relationships between countries



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Unit 5: Agriculture and Land Use

Topic 1: Development of Agriculture

Early Agrarian Societies

Identify early farming practices of Neolithic humans

Explore reasons for moving from a nomadic lifestyle to an agrarian one

Compare ancient river civilizations, including Mesopotamia, Egypt, and Sumer

Revolutions in Agriculture

Identify the importance of plant and animal domestication in developing a stationary settlement

Identify improvements in technology that changed agricultural practices

Describe the impact of the Green Revolution

Land Use: Settlement Patterns

Summarize the Von Thunen model of land use and its application today

Differentiate among urban and rural environments and explore their connections

Topic 2: Regions of Production

Agri-Zones: Regions of Production

Differentiate between subsistence and commercial farming

Identify associations between crop growth and climate zones

Identify ways in which farming has modified or changed the environment

Agriculture: Products and Consumption

Identify links between production areas and consumption areas

Examine the relationship between agriculture systems and climatic zones

Economic Factors of Agricultural Production

Sequence the development of modern commercial agriculture

Analyze how improvements in mechanization, transportation, refrigeration, and other technologies have affected agricultural production

Identify how the availability of resources influences production

Topic 3: Modern Agriculture

Modern Agriculture: Changing Landscapes

Examine ways that damming rivers, deforestation, and desertification for agriculture have affected the environment

Changing Face of Farms

Analyze reasons for a decline in the number of small family farms in the United States

Describe the purpose of agricultural subsidies in America

Identify the effects of government subsidies on the farming economy as well as on the environment



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	Changing Technology, Changing Agriculture			
			Explore the benefits and challenges of producing bioengineered foods	
			Explore the benefits and challenges of producing organic foods	

Unit 6: Industrialization and Economic Development

Topic 1: Concepts of Industrialization

Economic and Social Development

Define "development" and understand its application in the global economy

Explore methods of measuring development

Compare theories and models of economic development

Analyze the geography of economic development

Global Economic Sectors and Systems

Investigate the five economic sectors

Examine the relationship between comparative advantage and specialization

Identify the four main economic systems

Compare the roles of formal and informal sectors in relation to a country's economy

Barriers to Economic Growth

Identify geographic, social, and political characteristics of less developed countries that inhibit economic growth

Explore strategies implemented by governments and private corporations to overcome barriers to economic development

Topic 2: Economics of Industrialization

Revolutions in Technology

Identify how technology is essential to industrialization

Analyze the effects of inventions, innovations, and improved technology on industrialization

Identify how energy is essential to industrialization

Financial Resources and Global Lending

Describe the role of the International Monetary Fund as a global financial resource

Describe the role of the World Bank as a global financial resource

Examine the role of NGOs in financial lending

Gender and Economic Development

Explore the relationship between women and economies in developed nations

Examine the role of women in the economies of developing nations

Identify challenges faced by women in the workforce



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Topic 3: Global Risks and Rewards			

Westernization and Commoditization

Identify ways in which Western nations have influenced the global economy, including the WTO Examine the role of multinational corporations in the global economy Examine the role of the global economy in the commoditization of goods and services Analyze the westernization and commoditization of culture

Environmental Concerns of Industrialization

Identify health concerns and problems caused by or resulting from industrialization Identify environmental concerns and problems caused by or resulting from industrialization Explain the growth of the environmental movement in the United States Identify solutions to health and environmental problems caused by or resulting from industrialization

Ethics of Industrialization

Examine early labor laws and conditions

Explain movements for change that grew out of the conditions of the Industrial Revolution Examine modern labor laws and conditions and make global comparisons

Analyze controversies surrounding the use of sweatshops

Unit 7: The Urban Environment, Land Use, and Economic Development

Topic 1: The Urban Environment

Urbanization and the Early City

Define urbanization and examine early cities

Trace the evolution of early cities and identify the influence of resources and environment on their early development

Growth of Early Cities

Examine how push and pull factors affect migration to and from cities Understand how and why cities developed

Identify challenges to the growth of early cities

Urban Planning and Design

Explore various theories of urban construction and development

Analyze the relationship between the built environment and the natural environment

Compare and contrast planned cities to those that developed organically

Transportation and Infrastructure in the Modern Space

Analyze how improvements in transportation technology changed the urban environment Identify developments in transportation infrastructure that made cities more accessible Compare and contrast the ways in which the east and west coasts of the US developed



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	The Suburban Environment in the Modern Space				
			Characterize the suburban environment		
			Explore the nature of urban sprawl and the development of edge cities		
			Analyze the future of sprawling environments		
			Examine new urbanism and planning responses to suburban issues		
	Topic 2: T	he Modern Urba	n Space		
		Immigratio	n and Urban Enclaves		
			Identify ways immigration has influenced the urban environment		
			Examine the development of enclaves within cities		
		Race and C	lass in the City		
			Analyze reasons for artificial and natural sorting by economic class, ethnicity, or race		
			Examine the ghettoization of the urban environment		
		Comparativ	ve Urban Environments		
			Compare levels of modern urban development		
			Explore the development and growth of modern urban areas		
			Compare and contrast influences on the development of diverse urban environments		
		Global Citie	es		
			Examine globalization and the creation of modern global cities		
			Analyze the qualities of global cities and their effect on the world community		
			Analyze the future of rising and declining global cities		
		Challenges	Facing the Modern Urban Space		
			Analyze the effects of growing populations, increased poverty, and limited health care on the urban environment		
			Examine environmental hazards facing cities today		
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Preparing for the AP* Exam

AP* Fundamentals

AP* Practice Test