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Dear 2018-19 AP Human Geography Students and Parents,

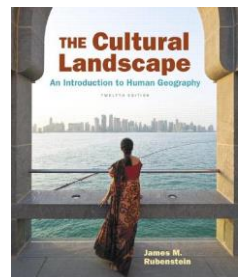
We are excited that you have decided to accept the challenge of taking an advanced placement class. We promise that you will strengthen your academic, intellectual, observation, and discussion skills. One of the top predictors in college academic success is taking AP classes in high school. We are dedicated to providing a challenging and rewarding intellectual experience.

Intrinsic in any AP course is an increased workload and some time for review outside of class. Part of entering an AP course is an assumption of a certain level of background knowledge and skills. We are recommending students work on their global map knowledge during the summer. Please review and be prepared to take an assessment the second week of school in the fall relating to the attached map list. The map assessment will require you to match the name with the correct location on a world map. A blank map is included in this letter.

A second part of summer prep is to begin your vocabulary chart. AP Human Geo is a very vocabulary intensive class. You will complete vocabulary charts for each unit. A majority of the words are in your textbook, but a few will require the internet. You can use notebook paper or buy a spiral and use it for vocabulary all year. We have attached the vocabulary format & the vocabulary list for Chapter 1.

The third and last part of our summer preparation - you can do during the summer or wait until the first week of school. We send it to you now so you don't have a lot of homework the first week of school (you will be thankful if you do it ahead of time). This is especially true for fall athletes & band students, as you will be busy with your sport/activity. You will read the first chapter of our textbook & complete the Key Issue Packet (study guide).

Textbooks will be distributed on the first day of school. For your summer work, the South Medford website has a PDF attachment of Chapter 1. You can read it from the website. We will use **The Cultural Landscape by James M. Rubenstein (12th Edition)**. If you want a textbook now there are **used copies** available online. The Chapter 1 Key Issues are included in this mailing. These are study guides that go along with the chapter. We will complete a Key Issues Packet for each chapter in the textbook and you will use these packets to study for exams. In this packet you will write a summary statement for each section and sub-section which should **include three key facts** (may be vocabulary if they make sense as part of the summary).



This letter has been sent to each incoming South Medford freshman that has registered for AP Human Geography. If you have friends interested in taking AP Human Geography next year, but may not have registered for the class, please direct them to the South Medford website to get these summer homework assignments.

Sincerely,

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AP Human Geography Basic Background Knowledge List

Test: Week 2 of School

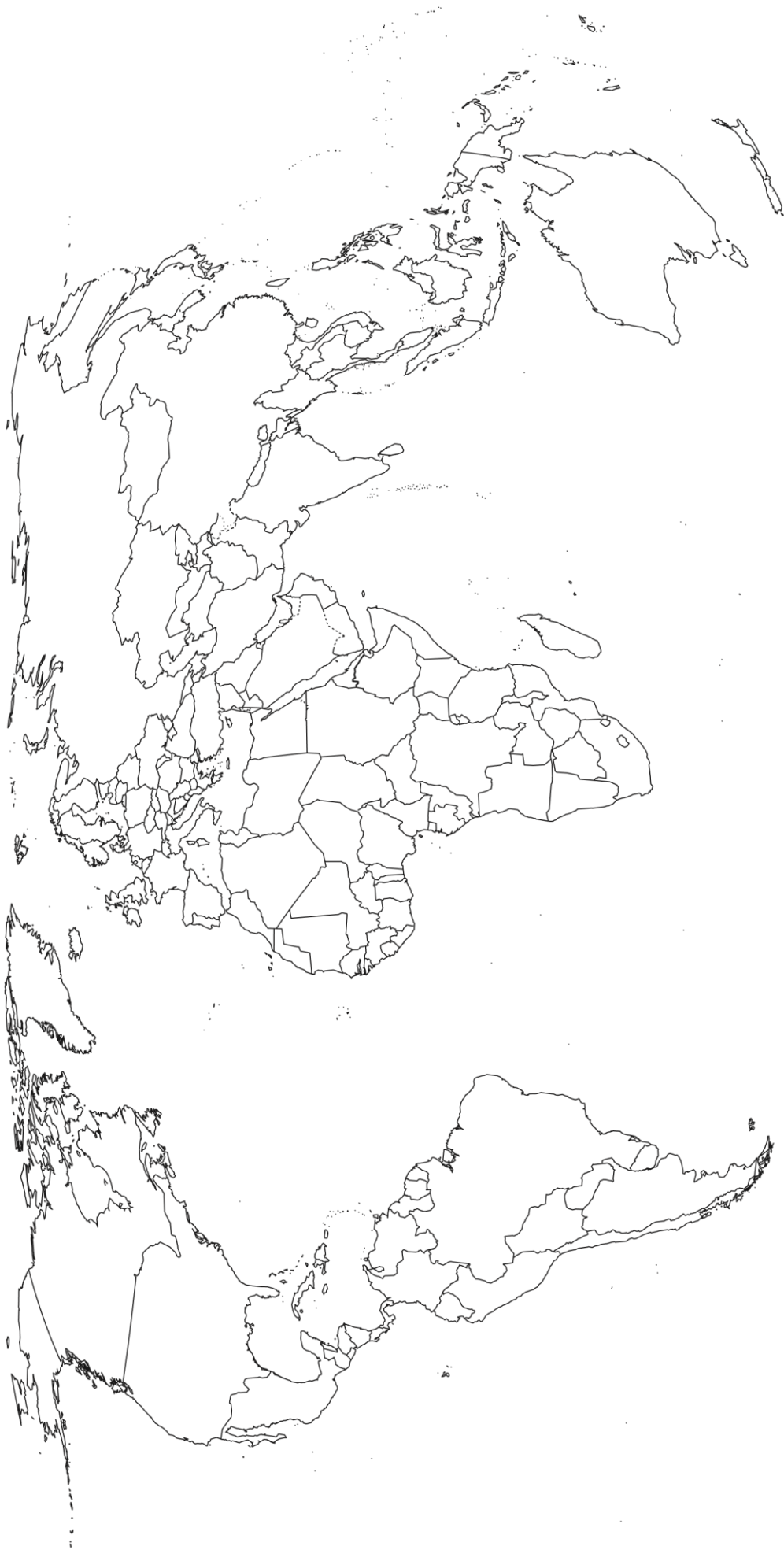
1) Use any online map to create a study map (map in included).

2) Practice online – here are a few map practice sites:

Lizard Point <http://www.lizardpoint.com/fun/geoquiz/>

Sheppard Software <http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm>

Countries		Continents, Bodies of Water, Islands	
United States	Croatia	Asia	Euphrates River
Mexico	Greece	Africa	Ganges River
Brazil	Kazakhstan	North America	Cyprus
Argentina	Sri Lanka	South America	Philippines
Venezuela	Singapore	Antarctica	
Chile		Europe	
Egypt		Australia	
Ethiopia		Pacific	
Nigeria		Atlantic	
Sudan		Indian	
Somalia		Arctic	
Rwanda		Southern	
South Africa		Caribbean Sea	
China		Aral Sea	
Japan		Caspian Sea	
India		Mediterranean	
N & S Korea		Bering Sea	
Israel		Gulf of Mexico	
Syria		Hudson Bay	
Pakistan		Black Sea	
Indonesia		Red Sea	
United Kingdom		Baltic Sea	
Saudi Arabia		Persian Gulf	
The Netherlands		Lake Superior	
Belgium		Indus River	
Germany		Nile River	
France		Amazon River	
Romania		Yangtze River	
Switzerland		Mississippi River	
Azerbaijan		Congo River	
Czech Republic		Rio Grande River	
Slovakia		Tigris	



AP Human Geography Vocabulary

Chapter I: This is Geography

Directions: Below is a list of Chapter 1 Vocabulary Terms. A majority of the terms are in the textbook and a few require the internet. To ensure you find the correct definition, in the internet search bar - type the vocabulary term and the words "AP Human Geography" (example: diffusion AP human geography). This will ensure that the definition will have the correct context. Create a vocabulary chart with 3 columns (see below). Either buy a spiral that you can use for vocabulary all year, or use lined notebook paper.

Vocabulary Chart

Term	Definition	Example
diffusion	The spread of a feature or trend from one place to another over time.	Expansion, contagious, hierarchical or relocation diffusion.

1. Acculturation
2. Assimilation
3. Atmosphere
4. Biodiversity
5. Cartography
6. Concentration
7. Connection
8. Conservation
9. Contagious Diffusion
10. Culture
11. Cultural Landscape
12. Density
13. Diffusion
14. Distance decay
15. Distortion (map)
16. Distribution
17. Ecosystem
18. Environmental determinism
19. Expansion diffusion
20. Formal/uniform region
21. Functional/nodal region
22. Geography
23. Geographic Information System
24. Globalization
25. Global Positioning System
26. Hearth
27. Hierarchical diffusion
28. International Dateline
29. Latitude
30. Local Diversity
31. Location
32. Longitude
33. Map

34. Map Scale
35. Mashup
36. Mental Map
37. Network
38. Pattern
39. Place
40. Polder
41. Possibilism
42. Preservation
43. Prime Meridian
44. Projection (map)
45. Region
46. Relocation Diffusion
47. Regionalization
48. Remote Sensing
49. Renewable/Nonrenewable Resource
50. Scale
51. Site
52. Situation
53. Space-time Compression
54. Spatial
55. Stimulus Diffusion
56. Sustainability
57. Toponym
58. Transnational Corporation
59. Uneven Development
60. Vernacular region

27. Mental Map

28. Meridian

