

PLEASE READ!!!!!!!
Are you ready for this class?
Geography 2
World Regional Geography

⇒ This is a transferable class so it is the same material as if it were being taught at U.C. Davis or Fresno State, can you treat it as such?

⇒ Do you have or will you soon obtain the books and materials for this class?

⇒ Can you read and write at an English A and English 41 completion level?

⇒ Do you have a *minimum* of 3-6 hours a week to spend outside of this class on the readings and review of class material?

⇒ Will you treat audio visual material the same as lecture material?

⇒ Can you come to class, come on time, pay attention and stay for the entire class the majority of the time?

⇒ Are you willing to talk to or leave messages for the instructor if you are having difficulties or are absent?

⇒ Will you read the book thoroughly?

⇒ Will you study for exams and quizzes?

⇒ Will you be courteous to other students by not talking or making noise at inappropriate times?

If you have answered "No" to any of the preceding questions, you may not be ready for this class and should consider taking a different class.

If you answered "Yes" to all of the questions, let's go and learn geography!

**MERCED COLLEGE
GEOGRAPHY- 02
WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY
Fall 2009**

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COURSE PURPOSE: This course will provide the student of World Geography a survey of the geography of the world's region. This course will investigate overpopulation, economic development, cultures, political environments and food production on a global basis. The course will enable the student to better understand contemporary world problems and potentials. Current world events are also discussed.

EXPECTED STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

Locate the cultural regions of the world.

Prepare maps of the nations and major cities of the world

Compare and contrast world population problems and solution theories.

Analyze statistical data to identify the economic level of development of a country.

Analyze world conditions and events to understand geographic factors and their implications

REQUIRED TEXT AND EQUIPMENT:

- Hobbs, Fundamentals of World Regional Geography 2nd edition

-Goodes, World Atlas **or ANY** current world atlas or programs with latitude and longitude lines printed on maps and listed in the index. (Atlas will only be used in class the first 2-3 weeks of class.)

- Optional: Hobbs, Fundamentals of World Regional Geography Study Guide
- Optional (**Strongly recommended**):Kapit, Geography Coloring Book.
- Optional: Maps available in the bookstore. (See Map Quiz List)
- Clicker type pencils or personal sharpeners (the pencil sharpener in the classroom is not reliable).
- Scantrons for tests and quizzes. (form # 882-E) (You will need 10)

ATTENDANCE: Attendance will be taken. It will be to your benefit to attend all classes in that a large amount of material will be covered. The course also builds as the semester continues. Therefore, if at the start of the course, you missed a concept, you may limit your ability to understand future related topics.

A portion of your grade will be based on class participation. Please make every effort to be on time as important information may be given to the class even before roll is taken. If you come in after your name is called on the roll, you will be considered absent. After 3 times coming in late and/or 3 absences, you will lose 2 participation points for each offense. If you come in late, come in quietly.

If you miss 2 consecutive days during the first 3 weeks of classes, and do not contact the instructor, you may be dropped to make room for those who want to add.

*****If you miss a week or more of classes at anytime you **MAY** be dropped. Don't count on the instructor to drop you. It is **YOUR responsibility** to drop if you want to drop the class.*****

EVALUATION AND GRADING:

There will be five exams of equal weight. Exams are not comprehensive, but inclusive of the material covered since the previous exam. The lowest exam **AND** lowest map quiz score will be dropped or a "*missed*" test **AND** map quiz will be dropped.

All exams have 35 multiple-choice questions (1 pt each) and 25 true-false questions (2 pts each) and a current event assignment.

Instructor Study guides for the multiple-choice section of the exams are available in the library and online. It is up to you to get these study guides.

All exams have a 15 point current event requirement (see attached or online) due at the time of the exam. Late assignments will not be accepted.

All map quizzes will have 25 multiple-choice questions. Places are from the attached lists. They are also available online. You are on your own to study for these quizzes. The coloring book, atlas, maps available in the bookstore and computers can be very helpful. For most people, it takes time to study for these quizzes. It is suggested that you study in "sections" not the entire list every study session.

Make-up exams and in-class activities are **NOT allowed**. You may take exams and map quizzes early.

*Five exams (scantrons needed)	100 points each	400 points
<i>(Your lowest or missed exam will be dropped)</i>		
*Five map quizzes (scantron needed)	25 points each	100 points
<i>(Your lowest or missed quiz will be dropped)</i>		
*In-class projects, activities, and participation.		75 points
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS		575
*NOTE: You are expected to put a minimum of 3-6 hours a week into the readings and class material outside of the class.		

Grades will be based on total points. Total points used for grading will be based on how well the top students do in the class. Even if someone were to earn every point, you are guaranteed: A= 90%, B=80%, C=70% and D=58%.

ONLY points will be recorded- not letter grades. It is **YOUR responsibility** to keep track of the grade for each exam. This will give you a fairly accurate account of where you stand in terms of a final grade.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Multiple-choice questions on the exam are “word for word” from the textbook.
- True-false questions are from anything said or done in class.
- Answers for the true-false questions on the exam **MUST** be written as complete sentences. If the sentences are incomplete, the answers will be considered incorrect.
- College level writing will be required on all material.
- Dates for exams and quizzes are on the syllabus – **COME PREPARED TO CLASS!**
- You are expected to arrive on time and stay for the ENTIRE class.
- You are expected to read your syllabus frequently and keep up with the readings so that you are prepared for classes.

-You are expected to inform the instructor if you will not be in class or if you come in late to class.

-Remember, you may take exams and quizzes early. "Make ups" after the class has taken the exam or quiz are not allowed.

STUDY HINTS

Keep up with the readings as we go along.

Keep up with reviewing your lecture notes. Don't wait until the night before the exam.

Limit the amount you read at one time.

Don't highlight or underline the first time you read through the material.

After you have read the information once, use the instructor study guide for the multiple choice section of the exam. (These are available on reserve in the library and online) This will focus your reading.

Highlight the items from the instructor study guide. (Not the definitions from the back of the book)

You may tape lectures

Try to "teach" the information to someone else (kids are great for this)

PLAGIARISM/CHEATING: Plagiarism or cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. Any student guilty of plagiarism or cheating will be failed. Additional action may be taken by the college administration.

Cell phones must be off during exams and quizzes. If you use your phone in any matter during an exam or quiz, you will be failed on that exam or quiz.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Chapter and Info</u>	<u>Topics</u>
Aug. 17-21	Chapter 1	Introductory material
Aug 24-28	Chapter 2	Introductory material
Aug 27-28	MAP QUIZ # 1 Thurs.-Fri.	NORTH AMERICA
Aug 31- Sept. 4	Chapter 7	Pacific World
Sept. 7	Holiday - Labor Day - No classes (Monday)	
Sept. 8-9	EXAM #1 Tues.-Wed.	CHAPTER 1, 2, 3
Sept. 10-11	Chapter 6	Monsoon Asia

Sept 14-18	Chapter 6	Monsoon Asia
Sept. 16-17	MAP QUIZ #2 Wed-Thurs	ASIA & OCEANIA
Sept. 21-25	Chapter 8	Oceania
Sept. 28-30	Chapter 8	Oceania
Oct. 1-2	Exam #2 Thurs-Fri	Chapter 6&8
Oct 5-9	Chapter 6	Middle East & North Africa
Oct. 12-16	Chapter 6 & 9	Africa
Oct. 14-15	MAP QUIZ #3 Wed.- Thurs.	MIDDLE EAST & AFRICA
Oct. 19-23	Chapter 8	Africa, South of the Sahara
Oct. 26-27	EXAM #3 Mon-Tues.	CHAPTERS 6 & 8
Oct. 28-30 & Nov 1-6	Chapter 4	Europe
Nov. 9-10	MAP QUIZ #4 Mon.-Tues.	EUROPE & RUSSIA
Nov. 11	Holiday - Veterans Day- Wed.	No classes
Nov. 9-13	Chapter 4	Europe
Nov16-23	Chapter 5	Russia and the Near Abroad
Nov. 23-24	EXAM #4 Mon-Tues	CHAPTERS 4&5
Nov. 26-27	Thanksgiving Break - No Classes	
Nov 25, 30 & Dec. 1-4	Chapter 10	Latin America
Nov. 30 & Dec. 1	MAP QUIZ #5 Mon.-Tues.	MEXICO, CARIBBEAN & SOUTH AMERICA
Dec. 2-3	Grade Check Day Wed. - Thurs.	
Dec. 7-10	Chapter 11	North America
Dec. 11-17	FINALS	CHAPTERS 9 & 10

Fall 2009 Geography 2 Map Quiz List

Instructor: D. Morimoto

Location is to geography as date is to history. It is fundamental to any further understanding of the subject. A student of geography should have a mental picture of the arrangements of the countries, capitals and be able to name them. Of course, location can never be an end in itself, but neither can knowledge of all else about a place mean much without knowing where that place is on the surface of the earth.

There will be five map quizzes during the semester. The date for each quiz is in your syllabus. If you would like to study on maps similar to the quiz, maps are available for sale in the bookstore. **For the quiz, you need a scan-tron and a #2 pencil only.** Each quiz has 25 multiple choice questions. You will have 15 minutes for each quiz. Twenty-five locations will be chosen from the lists below for each map quiz. You may take any or all map quizzes early. Map quizzes may NOT be made up. Your lowest map quiz score will be dropped or a missed map quiz will be dropped. PLACES ARE TO BE STUDIED ON YOUR OWN. CLASS TIME WILL **NOT** BE DEVOTED TO MAP QUIZ STUDY.

Names in parentheses () are the capitals. You are also responsible for their location.

Map Quizzes

Lists are from the coloring book

Map Quiz #1 North America

Map Quiz #2 Asia and Oceania

Map Quiz #3 Middle East and Africa

Map Quiz #4 Europe, Russia & the Near Abroad

Map Quiz #5 Mexico, Caribbean & South America

Optional maps to study

**use the white side of the maps*

North America (1 map)

Asia and Australia (2 maps)

Africa and the Middle East (2 maps)

Europe and Russia (2 maps)

No. America & So. America (2 map)

**Use brown side of the Europe Map
and the South America Map*

Map Quiz #1 – North America

Each of the United States and their capitals and:

Greenland (Godthab)	United States (Washington D.C.)	
Canada (Ottawa)	Alberta (Edmonton)	British Columbia (Victoria)
Manitoba	New Brunswick	Newfoundland
Nova Scotia	Prince Edward Island	Ontario
Quebec(Quebec City)	Saskatchewan (Regina)	Northwest Territories
Yukon Territory (Whitehorse)	Miami	Merced
San Francisco	Los Angeles	

-----End of Map Quiz #1-----

Map Quiz #2 – Asia and Oceania

Asia

Afghanistan (Kabul)	Bangladesh(Dhaka)	Bhutan (Thimphu)
India (New Delhi)	Maldives	Nepal (Kathmandu)
Pakistan(Islamabad)	Sri Lanka(Colombo)	China (Beijing)
Japan(Tokyo)	Mongolia	North Korea (Pyongyang)
South Korea (Seoul)	Taiwan (Taipei)	Brunei
Cambodia (Phnom Penh)	Indonesia	Laos
Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur)	Myanmar	Philippines (Manila)
Singapore	Thailand (Bangkok)	Vietnam (Hanoi)

Oceania

Australia (Canberra)	New Zealand(Wellington)	Papa New Guinea
Fiji	New Caledonia	Solomon Islands
Vanuatu	Kiribati	Nauru
Cook Islands	Tonga	Tuvalu
Western Samoa		

-----End of Map Quiz #2 -----

Map Quiz #3- Middle East and Africa

Middle East

Cyprus	Israel (Jerusalem)	Jordan(Amman)
Lebanon (Beirut)	Syria (Damascus)	Turkey
Bahrain	Iran(Tehran)	Iraq (Baghdad)
Kuwait	Oman	Qatar
Saudi Arabia(Riyadh)	United Arab Emirates	Yemen

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Africa

Algeria	Chad	Egypt(Cairo)
Libya(Tripoli)	Mali	Mauritania
Morocco	Niger	Sudan(Khartoum)
Tunisia	Western Sahara	Benin
Burkina Faso	Ivory Coast AKA Cote D'Ivoire	Gambia
Ghana	Guinea	
Guinea-Bissau	Liberia	Nigeria
Senegal	Sierra Leone	Togo
Angola	Cameroon	Central African Rep.
Congo	Dem. Rep. of Congo	Equatorial Guinea
Gabon	Zambia	Burundi (Bujumbura)
Djibouti	Eritrea	Ethiopia
Somalia	Kenya(Nairobi)	Rwanda
Tanzania	Uganda	Botswana
Lesotho	Madagascar	Malawi
Mozambique	Namibia	Swaziland
South Africa(Pretoria)	Zimbabwe	

-----End of Map Quiz 3-----

Map Quiz #4 Europe, Russia and the Near Abroad**Europe**

Denmark(Copenhagen)	Finland(Helsinki)	Iceland(Reykjavik)
Norway(Oslo)	Sweden(Stockholm)	Belgium(Brussels)
France(Paris)	Ireland(Dublin)	Luxembourg(Luxembourg City)
Netherlands(Amsterdam)	Portugal(Lisbon)	Spain(Madrid)
United Kingdom(London)	Austria(Vienna)	Czech Republic(Prague)
Germany(Berlin)	Hungary(Budapest)	Poland(Warsaw)
Slovakia(Bratislava)	Switzerland(Bern)	Albania
Bosnia & Herzegovina(Sarajevo)	Vatican City	Bulgaria
Greece(Athens)	Italy(Rome)	Romania
Macedonia	Slovenia	Yugoslavia
Belgrade	Malta	Andorra

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Russia and the Near Abroad

Armenia	Azerbaijan	Belarus
Estonia	Georgia	Latvia
Lithuania	Moldova	Russian Federation(Moscow)
Ukraine	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan
Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan	Kazakhstan

-----End of Map Quiz #4-----

Mexico and Caribbean and South America – Map Quiz #5**Mexico and Caribbean**

Mexico(Mexico City)	Belize	Costa Rica
El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras
Nicaragua(Managua)	Panama	Bahamas (Nassau)
Barbados	Cuba(Havana)	Dominica
Dominican Republic	Grenada	Haiti(Port-Au-Prince)
Jamaica	Puerto Rico(San Juan)	St. Kitts-Nevis
St. Lucia	Trinidad & Tobago	Virgin Islands
Antigua & Barbuda	St. Vincent & Grenadines	

South America

Argentina(Buenos Aires)	Bolivia(La Paz Sucre)	Brazil(Brasilia)
Chile(Santiago)	Columbia(Bogotá)	Ecuador(Quito)
Guyana(Georgetown)	Paraguay(Asuncion)	Peru(Lima)
Suriname	Uruguay	Venezuela(Caracas)
Falkland Islands(Stanley)	French Guiana	

-----End of Map Quiz #5-----

Geography 2

D. Morimoto

Current Event Part of Exams

15 points for each exam

Each exam will have a current event component worth 15 points. The following are the **requirements** of the assignment

1. Select 1-5 articles from a **newspaper** (An online newspaper is acceptable if it is a reliable resource) that covers a **current event** (Not a historical event) about the region we are currently covering.
2. The article(s) **must be dated**. Make sure to **highlight** the date on the article. The date must be dated between Aug 2008 and the date of the exam. **NO DATE, NO CREDIT**
3. Relate the article(s) to five (5) points of information from the textbook, movies, or power point seen in class. At least two (2) points of information must be from the textbook and two(2) points must be from class. (From movie or power point pr lecture- not from informal discussions)
4. Type - Handwritten reports will not receive any credit.
5. Each "point" of information is worth up to two (3) points of credit.
 - a. 1 point – The book, movie, or power point reference (Page number or movie date and name) and article reference (**Highlight the quote from the article**)
 - b. 1 point – **How** the article is related to the book, movie or power point
 - c. 1 point for following all format instructions. (see above)
6. Attach the article AND the written report to the True/False part of the exam at the time of the exam. No late articles will be accepted- It is part of the exam
7. No credit will be given if the printed article is not attached
8. If you are unsure, or have questions, please contact Mrs. Morimoto as soon as possible.
9. Complete sentences are required for the assignment.
10. Keep it short. It should NOT be a term paper or essay. Just show me that you know that current events relate to the class.
11. Look at the instructor website for an example.
12. Date your notes during class.

Silly made up example! (Use for format)

Current Event Assignment

Exam #1

Name

TTH 8:00 AM

1. A. Article #1 dated 1/25/09 and page number 345 in the textbook.
 B. The article stated that Australia has solved all of the Aboriginal land issues. The textbook says that they are still working on aboriginal land issues
2. A. Article # 1 dated 1/25/09 and the movie "Australia" on 9/7/09
 B. The article states that birth rates and death rates are low in Australia. The movie on Australia, dated Aug 22, 2008, mentioned that birthrates will remain low with the current economic situation.
3. A. Article #2 dated 8/14/09 and page number 321 in the textbook
 B. The article states that sheep products are a main source of income in 2008 for New Zealand. The book states that the sheep industry produces a high percentage of the GDP.
4. A. Article #3 dated 6/2/09 and page number 333
 B. The article states that New Zealand changed their name to "New Sheepland". The book still has it as "New Zealand"
5. A. Article # 3 dated 2/1/09 and the power point from class- date 8/21/09
 B. The article states that New Zealand has limited fuel resources. During the pictures, we were told that New Zealand must import their oil needs

Articles are attached, The source is included on the article, the date is highlighted on each article and the quote from the article is highlighted.