

## US History Honors Summer Assignment

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### Purchase the book listed below:

*Prisoners of Geography: Ten Maps that Explain Everything About the World* by Tim Marshall. ISBN# 978-1-5011-2146-3, (hardback) copyright 2015. There are numerous copies for sale on Amazon. There is also a paperback version of this book for sale at Amazon.

### Part 1: Terms/People to be familiar with: Use Google to research these items.

Vladimir Putin	blue-water navy	green-water navy
Sino-American	Sino-Japanese	hegemony
The Balkans	C.E. (Common Era)	B.C.E. Before Common Era
Destroyers for Bases	Protestant Work Ethic	Otto von Bismarck
Double Cropping		

**Part 2: Reading Questions:** As indicated, some questions will require you to get the answer from Google. If I have not given you permission to use Google, then you must use the book and indicate the page number where you found the answer.

### Preliminary (Not from the reading)

1. What is the geographic definition of the word “state”? (Look this up on Google) How is it different than how we would normally use the word state?

### Chapter 1: Russia

2. Define supranational organization. What is NATO? What is the Warsaw Pact? What is the European Union? (Look these up on Google)

### Chapter 2: China

3. What ethnic groups makes up more than 90% of China’s population?
4. Briefly describe the current political situation in Tibet.
5. Briefly describe the relationship between China and Taiwan.

### Chapter 3: The United States

6. Define demographic (Look up on Google). What is the concern about the changing demographics of the American southwest?

## **Chapter 4: Western Europe**

7. What countries are located on the Iberian Peninsula?
8. What region wants to achieve independence from Spain?
9. When did Italy become a country? Why is their national unity threatened?
10. When did Germany become a country? What war preceded German unification?

## **Chapter 5: Africa**

11. Define genocide (look up on Google). Where did genocide occur in 1994.
12. Define apartheid (look up on Google).

## **Chapter 6: The Middle East**

13. Describe the difference between Sunni and Shi'ite Muslims.
14. When did the UN create the country of Israel?
15. What is the main language in Iran?
16. What keeps the Middle East from uniting as one large region?

## **Chapter 7: India and Pakistan**

17. What is the official language of Pakistan?
18. What is the main reason that China isn't India's biggest foreign policy concern?

## **Chapter 8: Korea and Japan**

19. Along what line of latitude was Korea divided after World War II?
20. Define megacity. What is the world's largest megacity?
21. What is predicted about the Japanese population by 2050? By 2110?

## **Chapter 9: Latin America**

22. What three languages are spoken in South America? In what two countries is it not Spanish?
23. What unfortunate geographic consequence for Bolivia resulted from the 1879 War of the Pacific?
24. Why was the capital of Brazil moved from Rio de Janeiro to Brasilia?
25. Why does China want to build a \$50 billion canal in Nicaragua?

## **Chapter 10: The Arctic**

26. According to UNCLOS, how far offshore does a country have exclusive economic rights?
27. Who are the "Arctic Five"?

**Part 3:** Fill out the attached graphic organizers as you are reading the chapters. Your thorough answers will be profitable to you when you take the test on this book.

Chapter 1: Russia

What Russia Has	What Russia Needs
Example: Vast amounts of land	Example: A warm-water port

Chapter 2: China

What China Has	What China Needs

Chapter 3: United States

What the United States Has	What the United States Needs

Chapter 4: Western Europe

What Western Europe Has	What Western Europe Needs

Chapter 5: Africa

What Africa Has	What Africa Needs

Chapter 6: The Middle East

What the Middle East Has	What the Middle East Needs



Chapter 7: India and Pakistan

What India & Pakistan Have	What India & Pakistan Need

Chapter 8: Korea and Japan

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Chapter 9: Latin America

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Chapter 10: The Arctic

What the Arctic Has	What the Arctic Needs

