

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 defined: 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"?

Be prepared to discuss what resources each country has and what resources each country needs.

