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Packet Overview

This summer packet reviews key skills and content aligned to the **Georgia Standards of Excellence for 7th Grade Social Studies**, which focuses on **Africa, Southwest Asia (Middle East), Southern & Eastern Asia, and Latin America**.

The packet includes:

- Map Skills
 - Geography Review
 - Government & Civics
 - Economic Systems
 - Culture & Religion
 - Reading & Writing Practice
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PART 1: MAP SKILLS

Directions:

Use a map (atlas or online) to locate the following regions and countries.

A. Africa

Label the following countries:

- Nigeria
- Kenya
- South Africa
- Egypt

B. Southwest Asia (Middle East)

- Israel

- Saudi Arabia
- Iran
- Turkey

C. Southern & Eastern Asia

- India
 - China
 - Japan
 - North Korea
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PART 2: GEOGRAPHY REVIEW

Vocabulary Matching:

Match the term with its definition.

Term	Definition
Climate	A. A large landmass
Continent	B. Weather patterns over time
Natural Resources	C. Materials found in nature

1. Climate → _____
2. Continent → _____
3. Natural Resources → _____

Short Answer:

1. How can geography affect where people live?
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2. Give one example of a natural resource and why it is important.

PART 3: GOVERNMENT & CIVICS

Types of Government

Match each type with its description:

Type	Description
Democracy	A. One ruler has all power
Autocracy	B. Citizens vote for leaders
Oligarchy	C. Power held by a small group

1. Democracy → _____
2. Autocracy → _____
3. Oligarchy → _____

Short Answer:

1. Why is voting important in a democracy?
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PART 4: ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

Vocabulary:

- Traditional Economy
- Command Economy
- Market Economy

Fill in the Blanks:

1. In a _____ economy, the government controls production.
2. A _____ economy is based on customs and traditions.
3. In a _____ economy, supply and demand determine prices.

Short Answer:

1. Which type of economy does the United States have? Why?

PART 5: CULTURE & RELIGION

Major Religions Review:

Match each religion to its origin region.

Religion	Region
Hinduism	A. Southwest Asia
Islam	B. Southern Asia
Buddhism	C. East Asia

1. Hinduism → _____
2. Islam → _____
3. Buddhism → _____

Short Answer:

1. How does religion influence culture?
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PART 6: READING PASSAGE

Direction:

Read the passage and answer the questions.

Passage: Many countries depend on natural resources such as oil, water, and fertile land. For example, countries in the Middle East rely heavily on oil exports. This can make their economies strong, but it also creates challenges if oil prices fall.

Questions:

1. What resource is important in the Middle East?

PART 7: EXTENDED RESPONSE

Choose ONE prompt and write a paragraph (5–7 sentences):

1. Explain how geography impacts a country's economy.
 2. Compare two types of government.
 3. Describe how culture affects daily life.
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