Lehighton Area School District
Curriculum Framework

Course Title:	World Geography
Content Area:	Social Studies
Grade Level(s):	10-12
Course Overview:	A World Geography course provides a comprehensive study of the Earth's physical features, human cultures, and the dynamic interaction between them. It covers mapping skills, climate zones, population trends, economic systems, and regional studies (continents/regions) to understand how geography shapes human societies and landscapes
PA Core Standards:	Academic Standards for Geography
Key Course Text and Materials:	World History and Geography - McGraw-Hill
Key Assessments/Projects:	Quizzes, Tests, Projects, Participation, Class Activities

Big Idea/Unit: 5 Themes of Geography **Pacing:** 23 days				
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Absolute Location Cardinal Directions Cartographer compass rose Equator Formal Region Functional Region Greenwich, England Human Characteristics Human Movement Human-Environment Interaction Idea Movement Information Movement Inset Map Intermediate Directions Latitude Location Longitude Map Legend Map Scale minutes and seconds Movement Physical Characteristics Physical Map Place Political Map Prime Meridian Region Relative Location Topographic Map	Teacher created materials	Latitude/ Longitude Quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
7.2.12.B	Analyze the significance of phsyical processess in shaping the character of places and regions.			
7.3.12.A	Analyze the human characteristics of places and regions using the following criteria: -Population -Culture -Settlement -Economic activities			
7.4.12.A	Analyze the global effects of changes in the physical systems.			
7.4.12.B	Analyze the global effects of human activity on the physical systems.			

Big Idea/Unit: Europe

Pacing: 23 days

Standards	Objective/Skill	Vocabulary	Additional Resources	Assessment/Project
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Alps Apennine Mountains bay Berlin Wall brackish water Chunnel Continental Climate Danube River English Channel fjords glacier Gulf Stream Iberian Peninsula island Mediterranean Climate Mediterranean Sea natural resources North Sea Oceanic Climate peninsula Pyrenees Mountains Rhine River Rock of Gibraltar Scandinavia sea Seine River Sicily Steppe Climate strait Strait of Gibraltar Subarctic Climate Thames River Tundra Climate Ural Mountains Volga River	Teacher created materials	Europe country quiz Europe capital quiz Europe physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
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Big Idea/Unit: Middle East

Pacing: 26 days				
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Abraham Arabian Desert Arabian Peninsula Arabian Sea Bible Black Sea Caspian Sea Christianity Dead Sea desalination desertification GDP imported water infrastructure Islam Israel Jerusalem Jesus Judaism Mesopotamia Mohammad monotheistic religion Nile River nomadic OPEC Palestine Persian Gulf Quran Red Sea Sahara Desert Suez Canal Tigris and Euphrates Rivers wastewater treatment wateer catchment water conservation Zagros Mountains	Teacher created materials	Middle East country quiz Middle East capitals quiz Middle East physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
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7.4.12.A	Analyze the global effects of changes in the physical systems.			
7.4.12.B	Analyze the global effects of human activity on the physical systems.			

Big Idea/Unit: Asia **Pacing:** 23 days				
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	38th parallel Aral Sea archipelago bay Bay of Bengal Buddhism caste system Challenger Deep cold war communism Convergent Plates cyclones dead zone Divergent Plates Ganges River Gobi Desert Hinduism K2 karma Korean War Lake Baikal Mariana Trench meditation monotheism Mount Everest peninsula plateau polytheism proxy war reincarnation Ring of Fire Roof of the World Sea Of Japan Siberia steppes	Teacher created materials	Asia country quiz Asia capital quiz Asia physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
7.2.12.B	Analyze the significance of phsyical processess in shaping the character of places and regions.			
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7.4.12.A	Analyze the global effects of changes in the physical systems.			

7.4.12.B	Analyze the global effects of human activity on the physical systems.	tsunami Vietnam War Yangtze River Yellow River Yellow Sea		

Big Idea/Unit:	Africa			
Pacing:	23 days			
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Apartheid birth rate blood diamonds cape Cape of Good Hope cash crops death rate deforestation desertification developed countries divergent plate boundary dormant volcano economic diversification economy elevation equator escarpment extinct volcano Great Lakes of Africa HIV/AIDS irrigation Nelson Mandela nomads oasis plateau poaching population pyramids quality of life	Teacher created materials	Africa country quiz Africa capital quiz Africa physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
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7.4.12.A	Analyze the global effects of changes in the physical systems.	quality of life rainforest rift sahel savanna silt Skeleton Coast specialized economy standard of living subsistence farming developing countries		
7.4.12.B	Analyze the global effects of human activity on the physical systems.			

Big Idea/Unit:	Oceania			
Pacing:	20 days			
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	aboriginal people Antarctica atoll Australia Canberra crater lakes cyclone Great Barrier Reef Great Dividing Range high islands icecap low islands Maori New Zealand Oceania outback shantytowns traditional economy volcanic plateau Wellington	Teacher created materials	Oceania country quiz Oceania physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
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Big Idea/Unit:	South America, Middle America & the Caribbean Islands (Latin America)			
Pacing:	23 days			
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**
7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Amazon Rainforest Andes Mountains brackish water cash crops Central America cloud forest deforestation endemic species fog desert Forestry Greater Antilles Gulf of Mexico Hispaniola hydroelectric power isthmus Latin America Lesser Antilles ocean acidification Panama Canal slash and burn agriculture South America subsistence farming terrace farming The Bahamas the Caribbean Islands	Teacher created materials	Latin America country quiz Latin America capital quiz Latin America physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
7.2.12.A	Analyze the physical characteristics of places and regions, including the interrelationships among the components of Earth's physical systems.			
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Big Idea/Unit:	North America			
Pacing:	23 days			
Standards	**Objective/Skill**	**Vocabulary**	**Additional Resources**	**Assessment/Project**

7.1.12.A	Use geographic tools to analyze information about the interaction between people, places, and the environment.	Appalachian Mountains basin and range California Gold Rush Canadian shield coastal plains coastal range continental divide corn belt dairy belt Death Valley Donner Party drilling forestry globalization Great Plains Hoover Dam interior lowlands jet stream megacities Midwest mining Mississippi River Mount McKinley/Denali Mount St Helens North America Northeast Pacific Northwest piedmont rain shadow Rocky Mountains rust belt service economy Southwest suburbs sun belt The Great Lakes tornado alley wheat belt	Teacher created materials	United States “States” quiz North America physical features quiz Unit Assessment
7.1.12.B	Assess how physical changes to a region may have global impact.			
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