Summary

Our study of human geography will analyze people and places and explain how they interact across space and time to create our world. Chapters 2 and 3 lay the basis for our study of human geography by looking at where people live. Chapters 4-7 focus on aspects of culture and how people use culture and identity to make sense of themselves in their world. The remaining chapters examine how people have created a world in which they function economically, politically, and socially, and how their activities in those realms re-create themselves and their world.

Geographic Concepts

fieldwork human geography globalization physical geography spatial spatial distribution pattern medical geography pandemic epidemic spatial perspective five themes location location theory human-environment region place sense of place perception of place movement spatial interaction

distance accessibility connectivity landscape cultural landscape sequent occupance cartography reference maps thematic maps absolute location global positioning system geocaching relative location mental map activity space generalized map remote sensing geographic information systems rescale formal region

functional region perceptual region culture culture trait culture complex cultural hearth independent invention cultural diffusion time-distance decay cultural barrier expansion diffusion contagious diffusion hierarchical diffusion stimulus diffusion relocation diffusion geographic concept environmental determinism possibilism cultural ecology political ecology

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