

Guest Hollow's

High School Geography & Cultures Curriculum

Adaptable for Middle School

Great books,
recipes, videos,
links, art, music,
cultures,
countries,
activities, and
more!



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Guest Hollow's High School Geography					
Week 1	Topics: Introduction to geography, seasons, climate, wind, tsunamis, volcanoes, the ocean, continents				
Resources	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Guest Hollow's Geography & Cultures Online Textbook					
Spine text	1.1 What is geography?		1.2 Climate and Human Habitation		1.3 Physical Geography Facts
Non-Fiction Books					
From Here to Eternity	Introduction	Chapter 1	Chapter 2	Chapter 3	
Where on Earth? Atlas					p. 144-145
■ Wildlife of the World					p. 10-11 Animal habitats
The Religions Book		p. 18-19 Primal religions around the world	p. 24-25 Animism		
Fiction/Literature/Graphic Novels					
Memorizing the World's Countries					
Seterra games		★ Continents and oceans	■ Tectonic plates	■ Volcanoes	★ World rivers
Map printables	<p>Continents map (Fill in after playing the Seterra Continents and oceans game.) Your score:</p> <p>Optional: National Geographic Political MapMaker Kit or National Geographic Physical MapMaker Kit</p> <p>These are HUGE printable maps. You will need a giant wall (maybe a hallway?) and 136 pages of paper plus some tape to connect all the pages (tape them together on the back edges). You can pick the tabletop version for a smaller map. If you print one of these maps out, I encourage you to mark it up over the year. Look up places you read about in the different books and mark them. Draw routes characters in the books took, color or trace the border (in color) of a country you've memorized the location of, etc. Draw in animals after learning about them in the Wildlife of the World book (or print out a picture of an animal via the internet, cut it out and glue it on). Draw in other little pictures that help you remember something you learned about a specific place. Buy a pack of country flag and/or travel stickers and stick them on the map as you cover each country, etc. Basically, write all over the map and make all the places you are learning about memorable! We would love to see a picture of your map!</p>				
Video	<p>Tour the World - Official Music Video</p> <p>How to Remember the Seven Continents! ...for Kids! – This is so stupid (in my opinion, lol), but it's amusing, so I'm going to make you watch it. 😊</p>				

Workbook					
Workbook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maps in the workbook	Climate map of Australia Ring of Fire Belize Colorado India, Nepal, and the Ganges River Sulawesi, nearby countries, and bodies of water Central America				
Links for the workbook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tilt of the Earth ■ World sunlight map ■ Khan Academy seasons simulator and PBS – Why do we have seasons? (interactive) ■ What are the six major climate regions? ■ Online page for Guest Hollow question #7 in the Workbook ■ La Rama poem by Octavio Paz ■ Google Translate ■ Self Portrait Along the Borderline Between Mexico and the United States (by Frida Kahlo) ■ Purépecha (Wikipedia article) ■ Optional video: Child with Trisomy 13 ■ Optional article: Article from the Guardian 				
Extra Resources and Activities					
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Choose from these activities for chapter 3 of From Here to Eternity: Papal picado Papal picado patterns (paper cut-outs) Day of the Dead glow-in-the-dark lanterns Day of the Dead skull balloons Día de los Muertos garland Felt sugar skull sachets ■ Sugar skulls or ■ Day of the Dead cookies ■ Pan de Muerto (Mexican Bread of the Dead) <p>Optional weekend trip: If you have a mountain nearby that you can visit, take a sealed bag of chips with you and a water bottle that is empty, crushed down a little and then sealed with a cap. See how both change at the higher elevation due to the difference in air pressure! This will also work with a sealed bag of potato chips.</p>				
Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ How to draw a sugar skull 				
Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Don't be like most of these people: Can You Name a Country? ■ 5 Themes of Geography This song is so annoying, but it will let you know what the 5 themes of geography are, lol. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Choose one (no need to watch every minute): ■ Playing a Didgeridoo (David Hudson) (9 min.) or ■ The sounds of the Didgeridoo, the world's oldest wind instrument (16 min.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TED-Ed: Reasons for the seasons ■ TED-Ed: What's the difference between weather and climate? Take the quiz after the video. ■ Higher Elevation = Lower Air Pressure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Origins of Animism ■ What is Animism? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Rare Video: Japan Tsunami National Geographic ■ The Ocean is Way Deeper Than You Think

Videos -cont.-		<p>■ Optional: For instructional purposes only! Do not attempt: Making a PVC Didgeridoo or Didgeridoo Tutorial</p>	<p>■ Explained: Higher Elevation, lower temperature</p> <p>A good YouTube channel that covers the major climates of the world is: GeoDiode</p>	<p>Warning for the next 2 videos: Dead bodies and animal sacrifice is shown.</p> <p>Here, Living with Dead Bodies for Weeks—Or Years—Is Tradition National Geographic</p> <p>Torajan death rituals that are out of the world YouTube may make you sign in due to age restrictions on this video.</p> <p>The Sound of the Purepecha language</p>	<p>Pixar's Coco: The Traditions, Mythology & References You Should Know! (11 min.) – Great explanation of The Day of the Dead *Warning: Brief mention of sexuality (no details) at timestamp: 9:00</p> <p>■ Frida Kahlo: The woman behind the legend - Iseult Gillespie *Painted breasts are shown.</p> <p>The Mummies of Guanajuato *Warning: Mummified bodies are shown</p>
Geography Now! videos	Belize		Indonesia	Mexico	
Full-length videos					Coco
Printables				<p>■ Ocean zones coloring page</p> <p>Research how you should color this page.</p>	
Websites	<p>■ https://www.zooniverse.org/projects - Look over this website's projects. I haven't linked to a specific project because the projects are always changing. You can pick one that has to do with nature and a specific country. If you choose a snapshot project, you can help scientists by identifying animals captured via "camera traps." This is not only fun, but you can learn about different animals and actually be a help to those who are studying them!</p> <p>Optional Christian article: Did the continents split apart in the days of Peleg?</p>				
Your Book Choice	<p>Title:</p> <p>Circle the days read: M T W TH F WK Starting page: Ending page:</p>				

Guest Hollow's High School Geography					
Week 2	Topics: Ethnicity, languages, religions of the world, global economics				
Resources	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Guest Hollow's Geography & Cultures Online Textbook					
Spine text	1.4 Cultural Geography		1.5 Global Economics		
Non-Fiction Books					
From Here to Eternity	Chapter 4	Chapter 5	Chapter 6	Chapter 7	Chapter 8 and Epilogue
■ Wildlife of the World				p. 14-15 Grasslands	p. 12-13 Forests
The Religions Book		p. 294-295 Modern religions			
People of the World	p. 86-89 When Languages Die		p. 304-307 Written Word, Oral Word	p. 256-259 Notes on the World's Scales	
People & Places	p. 8-13				
Fiction/Literature/Graphic Novels					
Memorizing/Learning the World's Countries					
Seterra games	World: Peninsulas		World: Mountain Ranges		World: Wonders and Landmarks
	<p>Before doing the World: wonders and landmarks game, click on the following links to see each famous landmark: Angkor Wat, Chichen Itza, Christ the Redeemer, Colosseum, Golden Gate Bridge, Great Pyramids, Great Wall Of China, Machu Picchu, Mount Rushmore, Petra, Statue of Liberty, Stonehenge, Sydney Opera House, Taj Mahal</p> <p>■ Activity: Choose one of these places to research. Create a travel postcard for it. See the example and template in the workbook. If you print the template onto cardstock, you can send your postcard to someone!</p>				
Map printables					
Video	The Most Complex International Borders in the World (Part 1) – 12 min.				

Workbook					
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Maps in the workbook	Human language families Blue Ridge Mountains and states Spain and nearby areas Tokyo, Japan (and surrounding areas) La Paz, Bolivia, and surrounding countries Southern California Mumbai, India, and nearby areas including the Himalaya Mountains				
Links for the workbook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bios Urn ■ The Living Urn ■ Hachikō Article: Japan's population is shrinking Chindogu: https://www.tofugu.com/japan/chindogu-japanese-inventions/				
Extra Resources and Activities					
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Optional: After reading chapter 4 in <i>From Here to Eternity</i>, build a compost bin. Video instructions: How to Build a Compost Bin - Quick, Simple and Inexpensive and How to Build an Easy Hot Compost Pile ■ Optional: Visit https://www.ancestry.com/. Sign up for a free account and create a free family tree. Fill in as many family members as you can. You can search and see if they are offering a free trial (which they usually do). If so, you will have access to hints to help you start building your tree beyond just your grandparents, etc. Learning about your ancestors is a fun and interesting hobby as well as a springboard for exploring different cultures. There may be a few surprises in store! <p>Burnside's Billions Game – Buy world landmarks in this interactive game.</p>				
Videos	TED-Ed: The psychology of accents Best Of Great Smoky Mountains National Park ■ Life Inside a Dead Whale	■ Animated map shows how religion spread around the world	■ TED-Ed: The Science of Skin Color <small>*Evolution is briefly mentioned in this video.</small> ■ Optional: The Biology of Skin Color – This interactive video is 18 minutes long.	■ TED-Ed: Where did English come from? Cultures, Subcultures, and Countercultures: Crash Course Sociology #11	PragerU: A Nation of Immigrants Why Some Countries are Poor and Others Rich <small>Note: Discuss the video's comments about religion and how that affects the wealth or poverty of a country. Do you agree or disagree?</small>
Geography Now! videos					
Full-length videos			Hatchi: A Dog's Tale		

Printables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Traveling trunk decoration 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Religious symbols matching ■ Old World Language Families You don't have to print this out, but if you do, you may want to print it in black & white (so the background doesn't print as tan and use up a ton of color ink). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Forests of the World cards Optional: Design an activity or poster that uses the cards. 😊
Websites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Article: Gee Whiz: Human Urine is Shown to Be an Effective Agricultural Fertilizer <p>Roques Blanques Cemetery – You will need to view this website in Chrome and have the page translated if you don't know Spanish. See the screenshot to see where the auto-translate icon is in Chrome. Screenshot for the Roques Blanques website to show where the translate icon is on the Chrome browser:</p>  <p>Biome viewer (You can interact with this via a computer or you can download the iOS app.) Once you've opened up the viewer, use the arrows to choose "Anthromes." Click on the different years to see how the world was settled by humans. If you are viewing this on the computer, you can use your mouse wheel to zoom in on the globe.</p> <p>Talking dictionary – Listen to native speakers of endangered languages.</p> <p>Optional: Mausoleum uses LED Buddhas to remember loved ones This is AP footage, so it's not narrated (and the Japanese is not translated), but you can at least take a peek at the Ruriden Columbarium and see how it works.</p> <p>End of Life in Japan – View for pictures of Ryogoku Ryoen.</p> <p>Article: This Is Probably The Most High-Tech Cemetery In the World</p> <p>National Geographic: See Bolivia's celebration of human skulls</p> <p>Link to explore: Interactive language family tree – Explore this interactive tree and see where a variety of Indo-European languages came from and which languages are related.</p> <p>The Guardian: A language family tree- in pictures</p>				
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