

Procedures and Grading Policy
Coach Dougherty
HONORS World Geography

INTRODUCTION

Geography is foremost a spatial study of Earth's surface and an examination of the spatial relationship between the physical environment and humans. The goal of this course is for students to gain knowledge about places in the world by examining the natural and human characteristics of various regions along with examining the connections made between places. Additionally, it is a goal to develop the spatial reasoning of students, and their knowledge of the location of places.

World Geography Schedule

- 1st 6-Weeks: Unit 1: Physical Patterns and Processes
Unit 2: Human Geographic Systems
- 2nd 6-Weeks: Unit 2 continued
Unit 3: United States and Canada
- 3rd 6-Weeks: Unit 4: Latin America
Unit 5: Europe
- 4th 6-Weeks: Unit 6: Russia, The Caucasus, and Central Asia
Unit 7: Southwest Asia
- 5th 6-Weeks: Unit 8: Africa
Unit 9: South Asia
- 6th 6-Weeks: Unit 10: East and Southeast Asia
Unit 11: Oceania

Welcome to Coach Doc's Dojo! It is my goal to provide a classroom atmosphere which will allow a free flow of ideas and information between students and teacher and allow students the optimum opportunity to learn. To accomplish this a few rules are needed.

1. Respect **ALL** people in this classroom at **ALL** times!
2. Bring your class binder and writing utensils to class everyday!
3. Do not copy or plagiarize. Even if it appears that you are copying you will receive a zero.
4. You are responsible for any and all work that you miss. It is not my responsibility to remind you! A zero will be placed in the grade book if not made up.
5. Respect others property and school property.
6. Come prepared for class everyday...no free days.
7. Cell phones are **NOT** allowed in my classroom. They will be turned off and turned in upon entering the classroom. (There will be exceptions in which cell phones will be used.)

Grading scale:

Major grades (Tests/Projects)	40%
Daily grades (Daily work/homework/quizzes)	60%

Major Tests:

You will be given at least 2 major tests during the six weeks. You have three days to make up any missed test. It is up to you to schedule a time before school to make up any test or quiz. Tests will not be made up during class time. A zero will be given if not made up.

Projects:

Students will be assigned one major project each six weeks. I will give you ample time to work on and complete any project. No late projects will be accepted.

Homework/Daily work:

Any work done in class or assigned for homework. I will accept late work only one day after it was originally due and only if we do not go over it in class. Late work will not be given a grade higher than a 50. You will have 1 day for each day absent to complete any missed assignment(s). After that it will be considered late.

Pop Quizzes:

Be prepared! I will randomly give pop quizzes throughout the six weeks. Hint: keep up with the reading assignments and homework.

Required materials:

1-1 ½ 3 ring binder	Pen *(black, blue, red)*/pencils	Highlighter
Notebook paper	Map pencils	

Students will be told in advance when additional materials are needed for major projects!

Instructor Information:

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I have read and I understand the rules and grading policy to be followed in Coach Doc's class. I am aware of the grading scale and policies. I understand that it is my responsibility to obtain and complete all make up work.

Student Name _____

Student signature _____

Class period _____

Guardian/Parent signature _____

Guardian/Parent phone number _____

Guardian/Parent email address _____

Date _____