

The Five Themes of Geography

Core Concepts 1.2- pgs. 6-7

I. Location- Where something is.

A. Absolute Location- exact place on the Earth's surface.

1. Latitude
2. Longitude

B. Relative Location- location of a place based on its surroundings

II. Place- human and nonhuman features at a location.

A. Human- Examples: population or jobs people do.

B. Nonhuman- (Also known as physical features) Examples: landforms and climates

III. Regions- Groups places based on similarities with other places in the world

A. At least one unifying feature such as:

1. Human features- religion, language, history (many more)
2. Physical features- landforms, climates, vegetation (many more)

IV. Movement- explains how people, goods, and ideas get from one place to another.

V. Human Environment Interaction

A. Humans impact their environment

B. The environment impacts humans

Things to think about:

1. How do absolute and relative locations differ? What are strengths of each?
2. How would culture define a region?
3. What are some common ways humans impact their environment both positively and negatively?