

# Grade 7

Adopted 2020

## Geography of World Regions

### Africa

1. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary Africa. **AF.1**
  - PR.** Identify select African physical systems and human characteristics of places. **7.1.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions of Africa and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.1.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain Africa's current human population distributions and patterns, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.1.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the dynamic physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of African societies. **7.1.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, and explain the connections between African places and other continents based upon factors such as colonialism, imperialism, independence movements, and regional alliances. **7.1.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing Africa at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.1.6.AG**

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## Asia

2. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary Asia. **AS.2**
  - PR.** Identify select Asian physical systems and human characteristics of places. **7.2.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions of Asia and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.2.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain Asia's current human population distributions and patterns, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.2.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of dynamic ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of Asian societies. **7.2.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, and explain the economic, political, and social connections between Asian places and other continents. **7.2.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing Asia at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.2.6.AG**

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## Australia, Oceania, Antarctica

3. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica. **AOA.3**
  - PR.** Identify select Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica physical systems and human characteristics of places. **7.3.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.3.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain the current human population distributions and patterns of Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.3.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the dynamic physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica. **7.3.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, and explain resource relationships between Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica and other continents. **7.3.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing Australia, Oceania, or Antarctica at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.3.6.AG**

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## Europe

4. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary Europe. **E.4**
  - PR.** Identify select European physical systems and human characteristics of places. **7.4.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.4.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain Europe's current human population distributions and patterns, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.4.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the dynamic physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of European societies. **7.4.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, and explain the connections between European countries based upon centripetal and centrifugal forces, as well as connections between European places and other continents. **7.4.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing Europe at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.4.6.AG**

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## North America

5. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary North America. **NA.5**
  - PR.** Identify select North American physical systems and human characteristics of places. **7.5.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.5.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain North America's current human population distributions and patterns, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.5.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the dynamic physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of North American societies. **7.5.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, explain the economic, political, and social inequalities present in North American societies, and explain the connections between North American places and other continents. **7.5.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing North America at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.5.6.AG**

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## South America

6. Analyze the cultural, economic, environmental, physical, political, and population geographies of contemporary South America. **SA.6**
  - PR.** Identify select South American physical systems (e.g., landforms and bodies of water), and human characteristics of places (e.g., countries and cities). **7.6.1.PR**
  - ER.** Identify climate and vegetation regions and the spatial distributions and patterns of natural resources, including the impact of their location on human activities. **7.6.2.ER**
  - HS.** Explain South America's current human population distributions and patterns, and use geographic models to compare the conditions driving migration and demographic change. **7.6.3.HS**
  - HS.** Compare and contrast the dynamic physical and human conditions that lead to the creation of ethnic, gender, language, and religious landscapes of South American societies. **7.6.4.HS**
  - HS.** Identify and analyze the current political borders using maps, explain the economic, political, and social inequalities present in South American societies, and explain the connections between South American places and other continents. **7.6.5.HS**
  - AG.** Gather evidence and construct a map or model to investigate a significant contemporary cultural, economic, or political issue facing South America at the local, regional, or global scale. **7.6.6.AG**