GEOGRAPHY HANDBOOK QUESTIONS

Directions: Skim and read pp. 2-19 of your Social Studies Textbook (The Geography Handbook) to find the answers to the following questions. Glue these sheets into your notebook on facing pages, date the entry and write the answers on the sheets.

1. What are the six regions of the United States?__________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________

In which region do we live?_______________________________________________

2. What are three main types of maps that geographers use? What is shown on each type of map?

A.____________________________________________________________________

B. ___________________________________________________________________

C. ___________________________________________________________________

3. Explain in your own words what function each of the following serves in terms of reading a map:

Lines- ___________________________________________________________________

Symbols- __________________________________________________________________

Scale- ___________________________________________________________________

Colors- ___________________________________________________________________

Legend/Key- __________________________________________________________________

4. What are lines of longitude? ____________________________

What is another name for these lines? ________________________________________

What do they measure and which way do they run? ____________________________

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What are lines of latitude?__________________________________________
What is another name for these lines?_______________________________________

What do lines of latitude measure and which way do they run?____________________
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5. What is a hemisphere?_________________________________________________

Name all the hemispheres on Earth_________________________________________

In which hemisphere(s) do we live?_________________________________________

6. What is the purpose of a map projection?_________________________________
______________________________________________________________________

7. Define climate________________________________________________________

Give three examples of different climates and tell in which region you might find each
A. ___________________________________________________________________
B. ___________________________________________________________________
C. ___________________________________________________________________

8. How many species and subspecies of plants and vegetation grow in the U.S.?
_____________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________
How many are trees? __________________________

9. What are three ways you interact with your environment on a daily basis?
_____________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________

10. What are some ways humans have impacted the environment positively or
negatively?
Positive:_______________________________________________________________
Negative:_____________________________________________________________

11. What are some reasons that people move from place to place?_______________
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