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Social Studies **Study Guide**
United States Spatial Geography

***Vocabulary Words:** The following vocabulary words will be in matching form on your test. You can study them using the flashcards, or on spellingcity.com.

Hemisphere	Elevation	Population	Human Characteristic
Metropolitan Area	Prime Meridian	Precipitation	Physical Characteristic
Region	Equator	Climate	Population Density

The rest of the test will be a mix of true/false and short answer.

1. Location of the United States:

- Continent it is on: North America
- Hemispheres it is in: western and northern
- Two neighboring countries: Canada and Mexico

2. What is the difference between physical and human characteristics?

Physical are made by nature and human are made by people.

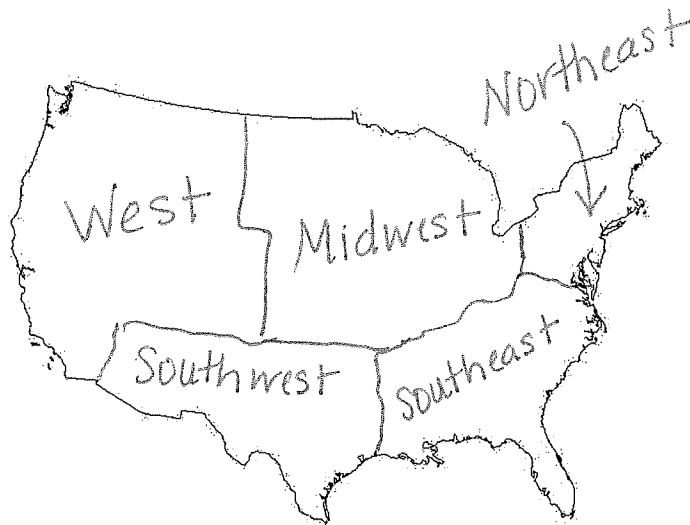
- 2 examples of *physical* characteristics of the U.S.: Rocky Mountains and Great Plains
- 2 examples of *human* characteristics of the U.S.: Space Needle and Alamo

3. List some of the ways the United States can be divided into regions:

- by landforms
- by climate
- by timezones
- by compass directions

Label the five main U.S. regions on the map below.

This map is divided into regions by directions.



Describe a characteristic of each region:

Midwest: Great Plains

Northeast: One World Trade Center

Southeast: Atlantic Ocean

Southwest: borders Mexico

West: Rocky Mountains

Describe the characteristics of the Mid-West region:

- Human Characteristics: Willis Tower, Mackinac Bridge
- Physical Characteristics: Great Plains, Mississippi River, ^{Great}Lakes
- Climate: hot summers, cold winters
- Other information: _____

Choose another one of the five regions of the U.S. and describe its characteristics below.

Name of region: Northeast

- Human Characteristics: Statue of Liberty, Washington Monument
- Physical Characteristics: Appalachian Mountains, Atlantic Ocean
Lake Erie, Lake Huron
- Climate: cold winters, hot summers
- Other information: _____

5. How many hemispheres can the Earth be divided into? 4

6. You will also have to read some maps and answer questions about them. To review for this, you can look back at the maps by visiting the weebly at <http://schmuker.weebly.com>. Look for the map links in the Social Studies Page.

On the map below, locate and label the physical characteristics from the Word Bank.



Word Bank

Rocky Mountains

Great Plains

Appalachian Mountains

Sonoran Desert

Coastal Plains

Pacific Ocean

Atlantic Ocean

Mississippi River